



Regular Meeting of the Planning Commission

Tuesday, January 11, 2022

7:00 p.m.

101 14th Street, Cloquet, MN 55720

OATH OF OFFICE

The Oath of Office was administered to Philip Demers.

CALL TO ORDER

Terri Lyytinen called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Attending: Planning Commission members: Terri Lyytinen, Mark Cline, Philip Demers, and Rob Zappia; City: Al Cottingham.

Absent: Uriah Wilkinson and Elizabeth Polling.

Others Present: Bert Whittington.

ELECTION OF CHAIRPERSON AND VICE CHAIRPERSON

Commissioner Lyytinen asked for nominations for Chairperson. Uriah Wilkinson was nominated.

Commissioner Lyytinen asked for nominations for Vice Chairperson. Terri Lyytinen was nominated.

There being no other nominations. Nominations passed 4-0.

AGENDA ITEMS

Additions/Changes to the Agenda

None.

November 9, 2021, Meeting Minutes

Vice Chairman Lyytinen asked for any corrections or additions.

Motion: Commissioner Zappia made a motion to approve the Planning Commission meeting minutes from November 9, 2021, Commissioner Cline seconded. (Motion was approved 4-0).



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Zoning Case 21-11: Ash Street Vacation

Vice Chairman Lyytinen introduced Zoning Case 21-11, Ash Street Vacation for Mr. Whittington and opened the public hearing. She asked Mr. Cottingham to provide an overview. Mr. Cottingham stated Mr. Whittington was proposing to Vacate a portion of Ash Street north of St. Louis Avenue. Staff had looked at expanding the vacation area since it extended into the campground but decided against it because of the snowmobile/ATV trail. This is a public hearing, and a legal notice was published in the Pine Knot on December 24th and effected property owners were notified of the hearing. Mr. Whittington was present.

Mr. Whittington stated he wanted to clean up the area and remove some nuisance trees from the property. He owns all of the property to the east of Ash Street.

There being no further discussion Vice Chairman Lyytinen closed the public hearing and called for a motion.

Motion: Commissioner Cline made a motion to recommend approval to the City Council of the vacation of a portion of Ash Street lying north of St. Louis Avenue, Commissioner Demers seconded. (Motion passed 4-0)

Mr. Cottingham noted this item would go to the City Council at their meeting on January 18th at 6:00 pm.

Commissioner's Questions/Comment

Commissioner Zappia stated this would be his last meeting since he had taken a new job in the twin cities. Cottingham and the other commissioners thanked him for his time on the commission.

Next Meeting

February 8, 2022

Meeting adjourned 7:18 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Al Cottingham, City Planner/Zoning Administrator