

MENOMINEE COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION

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REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

JANUARY 17, 2011

The Menominee County Planning Commission meeting was called to order at 5:17 pm by Chair, Lillian Schultz at the Michigan State University Extension office in Stephenson, MI.

ROLL CALL: Anderson, Cole, Erickson, Pearson, Peterson, Schultz, and Suchovsky.

A quorum was present to conduct business.

Public Comment: (In attendance, Bob Desjarlais, Dick Peterson, Kandace Curran) None – However, Kandace Curran asked to be allowed to interject with information as needed since she had assisted the previous planning commission.

Approval of the Agenda: Motion by Peterson; second by Anderson. Carried.

Approval of Previous Minutes: As the drafted meeting minutes were from the prior planning commission, and only Schultz remained from that board, it was recommended the minutes as drafted for the August 19, 2010 meeting be placed on file. Suchovsky motioned; Peterson seconded. Carried.

OLD BUSINESS:

The 2003 MENOMINEE COUNTY COMPREHENSIVE PLAN was to have been reviewed and updated as needed in 2008. In 2009, there were county issues that precluded the County Planning Commission from meeting in a timely fashion. When the County Planning Commission started to review the Comprehensive Plan in 2010; the County Planning Commission Ordinance was re-structured which disbanded the planning commission and re-established it as a new board for 2011. The updated census information to be used in the Plan should be available to later this spring from CUPPAD. This review project MUST BE A TOP PRIORITY this year.

It was agreed by general consensus to meet for a work session on Monday, February 28, 2011 at the Annex at 5pm CST (for approx. 2 hours) to review and make suggestions for possible updates to the County Comprehensive Plan.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Ingallston Township Ordinance: Although the MCPC did not meet prior to 30 day review period, it was generally agreed that the review of this document was done and no objections were forthcoming. Motion by Suchovsky; second by Erickson to approve. Carried.
2. Brian Bousley led the discussion on payment of Planning Commission members. The annual MCPC budget is \$800 based on the required meetings per year. The federal IRS reimbursement rate used by Menominee County is currently \$0.51. It was decided to continue with the previous per diem of \$25/meeting plus mileage. Motion by Suchovsky to set the payment at \$25 plus mileage at whatever the federal IRS rate for reimbursement for mileage is; second by Erickson. Carried.
3. CUPPAD representative from the MCPC. Motion to appoint Lillian Schultz (she was former representative from previous PC) by Peterson; second by Cole. Carried.
4. Work Session is scheduled for February 28, 2011. Next meeting shall be scheduled as needed when materials for review may be presented for review and action.
5. Monday, April 25, 2011 was discussed as a possible future date for the next regular meeting.

Public Comment: Bob Desjarlais, Lake Township Supervisor, stated Lake Township would be submitting a revised version of their Zoning Ordinance.

Motion to adjourn was made by Suchovsky; second by Peterson. Carried. Meeting adjourned at 6:10 pm.

Respectfully submitted:

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Roger Cole', written in a cursive style.

Roger Cole, Secretary