

Chassell Township Planning Commission Meeting Minutes

Dated: October 6, 2016
Chassell Fire Hall

Planning Commission Officers Present

Brian Waters	Lou Ellyn Helman
Dale Peterson	Steve Spahn
Dan Palosaari	Julie Meyers
Darlene Gronevelt	Keith Meyers

Guests and Residents of Chassell

Bob Anderson	Chris Kirkish	Judith Rupley
Murray Gillis	Joanne Kuntze	

Meeting called to order at 7:05 p.m.

- Welcomed Planning Commission Officers, Chassell Township Residents and Guests
- Reading and approval of the September 8, 2016 agenda: motion by Dale Peterson, support by Lou Ellyn Helman
- Doug Hamar out of town – sent email with regrets and topics of discussion.
- Brian Waters announced the resignation of planning commission officer Jim Manderfield. Will be missed. Open to anyone interested let Brian know.
(Open for comments)

Old Business

- Chassell Website – need to get minutes posted. Check on difficulty of adding lengthy reports.
- Original Recreation Plan was done in 2012 with plans to up-date no later than 2017. Consider applying for extension. (Comments/Questions – None)
- Motion by Brian Waters to table OHM proposal until we know what we want by a survey or special meeting with all residents. - 1st Dale Peterson, 2nd Keith Meyers, Ayes all.

New Business

- Park campground/marina and blight in downtown/throughout the township.
- Motion by Brian Waters for two separate committees be formed (1) Park (2) Blight – 1st Dale Peterson, 2nd Dan Palosaari, Ayes all.
- Motion for Keith Meyers to head-up the committee on blight and Brian Waters to head-up committee on the park. 1st Dan Palosaari, 2nd Steve Spahn.
- Lou Ellyn Helman gave report on replacement parts for playground equipment and cost. Brian Waters to bring to the Township meeting to approve the order and cover the cost.

Invited guest:

Planning commission officers welcomed Steve Lasco from the Western Upper Peninsula Planning and Development Region. He was a resident of Chassell from September, 2012 to June, 2016. Steve outlined the assistance he could provide to properly work on the blight issues in Chassell Township and will be joining Keith Meyers Committee.

Steve suggested that Keith Meyers attend the Six County Regional Round Table meeting on October 13 at Lake Gogebic Lodge. Jen Tucker, Brownfield Coordinator from the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality will be speaking on Brownfield Redevelopment. It includes blighted, functionally obsolete, historic Resource and adjacent or contiguous to eligible property as well. Jen is a key resource and contact to assist Chassell Township Blight Committee. Keith plans to attend.

Next meeting to be announced.

Brian motioned to adjourn at 8:05 p.m. Ist Lou Elyn Helman, 2nd Dan Palosaari Ayes, all.

Respectfully Submitted by:

Brian Waters
Chassell Township Planning Commission Chair

Darlene Gronevelt
Chassell Township Planning Commission Secretary