

MINUTES

01 March 2022 / 7:00 PM / Chassell Fire Hall

ATTENDEES

Ericka Malone, Doug Hamar, Steve Spahn, Brian Waters, Keith Meyers, TJ Palosaari

AGENDA

Call to Order 7:00

Pledge of Allegiance

Approval of the Agenda Brian moves, Keith seconds all aye

Reading and Approval of February Minutes Keith moves to approve, Brian seconds all aye

Public Comments Chassell Zoning Ordinance

Road Commission Report 5 year plan submitted to HCRC last Monday

Old Business

1. Chassell Mercantile Update - February Keith attended the Houghton County Land Bank Meeting. Land Bank approved accepting the property from the Owner if a settlement could be reached. A settlement agreement has been presented to the Owner. If accepted, the property will be transferred to the Land Bank and the local developer embark on the grant to help fund the property redevelopment.
2. Historical Trail- EGLE permit needed to be completed this spring.
3. Cemetery Church-Dangerous Building - nothing new.
4. Snowmobile Trail-no new update
5. Playground Equipment Border - will be installed this spring.

6. Sturgeon River Launch Site - Keweenaw Visitor's Bureau Grant opportunity. Up to 10k available. The Bureau is interested in establishing adventure locations that will alleviate the pressure on large tourist locations like Copper Harbor.
 - a. Pursuing an sign permit with MDOT to locate the launch
 - b. Proposing a large sign to give the entire river and map with launch points and describe history. Second sign with nature and wildlife detail about the river.
 - c. In summary-developing the river trail more significantly.
 - d. Will be discussed further in New Business
 - e. Only received one bid on the launch and it increased by \$12k. Keith has been in touch with a different company that manufacturers these in Wisconsin.
7. Master Plan - same. Waiting for Zoning to be wrapped up. EM to reach out to Pat Coleman about Master Plan Proposal. Planning to pursue this after April.
8. Road Master Plan - submitted last week.
9. Fitness Trail Signage - no update.

New Business

1. Zoning Ordinance
 - a. Preschools & Daycare - We currently only discuss schools. Every district allows schools...propose to add daycares right after schools and allow in all districts. Senior care center to be kept in multi-family. EM to share Hancock's with Keith.
 - b. Motor Homes, Trailers and Recreational Vehicles - Restrict to side and rear yard-all districts.
 - c. Minimum Building Size-IBC is now 200 sft, propose to reduce minimum building size to match this.

- d. 2.2.8 Unregistered trucks and trailers - add shipping containers to this section. (exceptions for construction equipment).
- e. Hotels - Propose to restrict hotels out of downtown. Leave this open for discussion during public hearing.
- f. Towers - exclusion zone for unknown public health risks of 5G. Keith to reach out to Baraga Telephone for information on where they plan to be going with this technology in the future. EM to look into Hancock.
- g. Wind Energy - Require a public hearing.
 - i. Public comment about allowing smaller towers on private property.
 - h. Public Comment on Blight and house appearance and grass length concern about it being too restrictive. Preamble is now revised to encourage voluntary compliance.
- 2. Park Boardwalk Project - Letter of inquiry to the Portage Health Foundation to replace the failing boardwalk. Meeting with UPEA to put together a proposal for replacing and make it ADA accessible. Proposal for the grant is due March 14th.
- 3. Signage Grant & Sturgeon River Water Trail Mapping - DNR staff who maps river trails downstate. He knows of other funding opportunities to develop the water trail.

NEXT MEETING

April 7, 2022 7pm

Adjourn 8:20 Brian moves to approve, Doug seconds, all aye

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Brian", is written over the adjournment text.