

Approved: July 28, 2015

**TOWN OF GIBRALTAR  
PLAN COMMISSION  
TUESDAY, JUNE 23 2015  
7:00 P.M.  
GIBRALTAR TOWN CENTER**

**Call to order:** The regular meeting of the Gibraltar Plan Commission was called to order at 7:00 P.M. by Linda Merline, chairman.

**Roll Call/Quorum:** Merline stated that a quorum of the Commission was present. Members present: Linda Merline, Brian Hackbarth, Tom Blackwood and Wendy Minten.

**Proper Notice/Adopt Agenda:** Merline confirmed the agenda had been properly noticed. *Motion: (Blackwood/Minten) to adopt the agenda as posted. Carried*

**Approve Minutes of Previous Meetings:** *Motion: (Minten/Blackwood) to approve the minutes of the May 26, 2015 meeting, as amended. Motion Withdrawn.*  
*Amended Motion: (Minten/Blackwood) to bring minutes back next month to review and approve amendments. Carried*

**Public Comment:** None

**Discuss Commission Goal – Invasive Species:** Merline has been in contact with Kari Hagenow, head of the DCIST. Merline presented the idea to contact landscapers regarding invasive species and creating a brochure or informational letter for general mailing. Hagenow liked the idea and stated DCIST has funding for education of invasive species and would like to participate. The Commission would like to move forward and discussed different invasives to address this year. Honeysuckle would be a good choice, due to the time of season. Garlic mustard and Dame’s Rocket are already flowering. Honeysuckle is doable and if done right can be easily targeted. The letter should also include how a land owner can request someone from DCIST, to come and help identify invasives on their property. The Commission discussed how to encourage involvement: before and after pictures, T-shirts, “the Gibraltar Honeysuckle challenge”. Will notify the Civic Association, GHA, the school, and gun club.

The brochure/sheet should include: detail photos, description of invasive species, benefits to homeowner, step-by-step instructions of how to remove and DCIST information to help with identification. Titled the “2015 Honeysuckle Challenge”.

*Motion: (Hackbarth/Minten) to move forward with the DCIST mailing to identify honeysuckle. Carried.*

**Review Comprehensive Plan Updates – Chapters 7 & 8:** The Commission reviewed updates to Chapters 7 and 8. General Plan Design and maps were discussed. The categories for the General Plan design are confusing. They are too similar to zoning categories. To change the design would require more public input and hearings. Will review categories and map next month for future land use.

**Review Petition to create a new Chapter in the Door County Zoning Ordinance “Chapter 14 – Communications Support Structures and Related Facilities”:**

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The RPC voted to sponsor for public hearing a new “Communications Support Structures and Related Facilities” ordinance as a chapter within the Door County Zoning Ordinance. The new ordinance is to comply with state law that became effective July 1, 2013.

The Commission reviewed the new chapter. Much of the chapter is process and regulations. Will forward to Town Chair. Need to determine how this will affect the airport and their 2 mile radius. Also concerned with 18(c) regarding high water mark and required shoreland setback. The Commission wants to see no exceptions to meeting the shoreland setback.

The Public hearing on this will be no sooner than Aug. 6<sup>th</sup>.

**Committee Reports:**

**Chair** – No Report

**Maps** – No Report

**Watershed** – No Report

**Parks and Lands/Bike Plan** – Parks and Lands will be installing new bike racks. The first one has been donated to the Town Center.

**Surface & Groundwater** – No Report

**Attainable Housing** – No Report

**Set the Next Meeting Date:** Tuesday, July 28, 2015 at 7:00 PM.

**Adjourn:** *Motion: (Blackwood/Hackbarth) to adjourn at 9:15 PM. Carried*

Respectfully Submitted,

Kelly Murre  
Deputy Clerk