## TOWN OF GIBRALTAR PLAN COMMISSION TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 24, 2019 GIBRALTAR TOWN CENTER 7:00 P.M.

**Call to order:** The regular meeting of the Gibraltar Plan Commission was called to order at 7:01 p.m. by Linda Merline, chairperson.

**Roll Call/quorum:** Merline stated that a quorum of the Commission was present. Members present: Linda Merline, Tom Blackwood, Don Freix, and Leonard Adent Absent: Brian Hackbarth

Proper notice: Motion: (Blackwood, Adent) to adopt the agenda as posted. Carried

## Approve minutes of previous meetings:

Motion: (Freix, Blackwood) to approve the minutes of the August 27, 2019 meeting, as amended. Carried

Public comment: None

Goal 3: Implement the Fish Creek Watershed Plan (Presentation by Miller Engineers & Scientists of Final Designs and Supporting Documents for Fish Creek Passage Project): Sara Kellner presented from Miller Engineers & Scientists. The block baffle design system was chosen by the Town Board for the box culvert. The concrete apron downstream of the culvert is cut out in steps as a fish ladder in the center of the apron to enable fish to get up and into the culvert. The baffles inside the culvert concentrate the water to the center to increase the depth and also provide places for fish to rest out of the flow. HEC-RAS and H&H modeling has been completed and includes the permitting package. The estimated project cost for the culvert is \$61,000. Grant funding options are included in the design package.

The Town chose a V cut design for the dam. The design presented by Miller is different than the original concept design. Instead of a V the cut the cut is a 6 foot rectangular cut that goes down to the stream bed. Kellner said this was to make it easier for the fish to pass. Merline's concern is that more water will be lost from the pond. Miller's plan also includes specifications for improving the structure of the pond. The dam is separate from the bridge.

Kellner stated the culvert plans have been submitted to the DOT.

The meeting of the electors for the purchase of the Redman property is next month. It was suggested to delay the final design presentation to the Town Board until after the meeting of the electors.

Motion: (Merline, Blackwood) to accept the Miller Final Design for the culvert and the dam. Carried

Amendatory Zoning Ordinance 2019-08 Re: Particular Use Requirements 4.07 Outdoor Recreational Uses Requirement (2) Campgrounds and (3) Camping (Make Recommendation to the Town Board: Merline attended the RPC Meeting at which they proposed and passed an amendment that would close a loophole that-allowed campgrounds to consist entirely of cabins. It also reduced the number of campsites per acre. The text amendment is being sent back to the Towns for consideration.

Motion: (Freix, Blackwood) to recommend to the Town Board to accept the County's amendment. Carried

**2020 Goals:** The Commission discussed their 2020 goals. Will continue to work with Park & Lands on reforestation of the creek corridor, and invasive species, and move forward with fish passage and the creek meander. Merline proposed looking into using monitoring wells to measure the level of the water table in Fish Creek Park.

She also proposed encouraging the Town to take another look at the zoning changes that were previously presented.

2020 Budget: The Commission reviewed their 2020 budget.

## Reports:

**Chair-** Merline reported she is still waiting for Gary VanVreede to speak with Nick from the DNR. Therefore, the meander project has been stalled. Fish & Wildlife has funds to complete the project.

## Approved:

Merline presented Green Tier to the Town Board to make a decision in October. She spoke with Denise Stillman from the FCCA and will forward Green Tier for their review. Merline also presented to the Harbor Commission with their full support.

**Ground and Surface Water-** No Report **Town Board/Parks and Lands-** No Report

Set the next meeting date: October 22, 2019 at 7:00 PM.

Adjourn: Motion: (Adent, Freix) to adjourn at 8:31 p.m. Carried

Respectfully Submitted,

Kelly Murre Deputy Clerk

