

**TOWN OF GIBRALTAR
REGULAR PLAN COMMISSION MEETING
May 20, 2024, at 6:00 PM**

Call to Order: Merline called the meeting to order at 6:12 PM

Roll Call/ Quorum: Linda Merline, Sara Lancaster, John Selenica, Paul Pillat and Wayne Kudick.

Absent: Tom Blackwood

Proper Notice of the Agenda: *Motion: (Pillat, Kudick)* to approve the agenda as presented. *Carried*

Approve Minutes of Previous Meeting(s): *Motion: (Pillat, Kudick)* to approve the previous meeting minutes as amended; *Carried*.

Public Comment: As a follow up to the public informational meeting, Amy Wilde provided a history of outdoor display of merchandise and storage at the Cedar Court properties.

Reports:

Chair Report: Merline reported on her May 10 field trip to the creek with all three sections of the 3rd grade from Gibraltar. This was the first field trip to the creek for 3rd graders. Merline received thank you cards from the students. The 5th grade field trip to the creek is scheduled for May 29. Merline advised Dark Sky information has been posted on the Facebook page. Merline also reported she and Kudick attended the DDC meeting where the DDC presented their stewardship plan. Lancaster will have copies of DDC's stewardship plan available this week. Kudick reported the DDC would like to give a 20-minute presentation on August 7 regarding collaboration between the Town and the DDC on various issues including tourism, housing, childcare and business support.

Administrator report: Thyssen reported the upper Bluff interceptor line is completely installed and they are doing the last of the pressure tests. There should be flow within the next two weeks. 134 residential units are off holding tanks and are on a treatable system. When Phase 2 is completed there will be over 300 REUs taken off of a ground system and onto a treatable system. Thyssen also provided updates on the Choke Cherry Lane and Hill and Bluff Street projects. Thyssen reported the projects are under budget. There was discussion regarding the Redman property.

Green Tier: Merline reported the requested changes to the guidelines for the Green Tier ad hoc committee were made and a draft was provided in the meeting packet. Merline advised the Green Tier Committee will probably meet in June and she will chair until Lancaster is ready to take over.

Commissioner goals update: Kudick reported on his meeting with Door County Economic Development in re the goal of diversification of the economy. He gave Michelle Lawrie a tour of some of our projects on May 17. He also reported on his meeting with Destination Door County. No other reports.

Outdoor Display of Merchandise Ordinance: There was discussion regarding feedback from the community and business owners on the proposed ordinance. Continued discussions on proposed verbiage as to what is allowed vs. what is not allowed. Discussions regarding application to art galleries. The commissioners will do a walking tour of the businesses to be affected by the ordinance and will review ordinance language.

Architectural Design Standards: Commissioners had a discussion on where to implement the design standards. There was a discussion regarding maintaining the historical look of the corridors. Thyssen advised of map available on Door County Web portal showing comprehensive zoning. Merline will get a map and pictures of the buildings in the corridors for commissioners to review at the June meeting. Merline handed out a list of things to think about for discussion in June. There was discussion about touring Town historical buildings.

Set next meeting date: Monday, June 24, 2024 at 6:00 p.m.

Adjourn: *Motion: (Pillat, Kudick) to adjourn the meeting at 7:41 p.m. Carried*

Respectfully submitted,

Travis Thyssen, Town Clerk
Laura Reetz