

ONEIDA COUNTY PLANNING and DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE
January 10, 2024
COUNTY BOARD ROOM – 2ND FLOOR
ONEIDA COUNTY COURTHOUSE
RHINELANDER, WI 54501

Members Present: Scott Holewinski, Bob Almekinder, Mike Timmons, Tommy Ryden, Mike Roach (via Zoom)

Members Absent: None

Department Staff Present: Karl Jennrich, Director; Todd Troskey, Assistant Director; Scott Ridderbusch, Land Use Specialist; Monique Taylor, Administrative Support

Other County Staff Present: Michael Fugle, Corporation Counsel; Dennis Brown, Assistant Corporation Counsel; Attorney Andrew Jones, Outside Counsel, Linnaea Newman

Guests Present: See Sign-In Sheet

Call to order.

Chair Holewinski called the meeting to order at 12:30 p.m. in accordance with the Wisconsin Open Meeting Law.

Approve the agenda. Motion by Bob Almekinder, second by Tommy Ryden, to approve the agenda with a typo on Agenda Item #7 for the meeting minutes being 2024 and should reflect 2023. With all members present voting “Aye,” the motion carried.

It is anticipated that the committee may meet in closed session pursuant to Wisconsin Statutes, Section 19.85(1)(g), conferring with legal counsel concerning strategy to be adopted by the governmental body with respect to litigation in which it is or is likely to become involved. A roll call vote will be taken to go into closed session.

- a. Approve closed session minutes of December 20, 2023.
- b. Administrative Review Permit #2200112 and Conditional Use Permit #2300385 for PIN’s MI 3239 and MI 3240.

Motion by Mike Timmons, second by Bob Almekinder, to go into closed session. Aye: Unanimous.

A roll call vote will be taken to return to open session.

Motion by Mike Timmons, second by Bob Almekinder, to return to open session. Aye: Unanimous.

Announcement of any action taken in closed session.

- a. Tabled, no action taken.

- b. Motion by Tommy Ryden, second by Mike Roach, to file a long form complaint to pursue violations of the conditions of Administrative Review Permit #22100112. With all members present voting “Aye,” the motion carried.

Public comments.

Eric Rempala spoke.

John Schaub spoke.

Scott Krueger spoke.

Approve meeting minutes of December 20 and 28, 2024. The agenda was approved with the typo concerning the year. The meeting minutes presented to the committee were for the meetings held on December 20, 2023 and December 28, 2023. Motion by Mike Timmons, second by Bob Almekinder, to approve the meeting minutes of December 20 and 28, 2023. With all members present voting “Aye,” the motion carried.

Discussion/decision concerning amending Chapter 26 of the Oneida County Comprehensive Land Use Plan Ordinance. The committee will be reviewing Chapters 1, 2, 3, and 4 of the Comprehensive Plan. Committee conferred with Mr. Jennrich and Sam Wessel concerning the process and application in the consideration of the Comprehensive Plan as it relates to issuance of Conditional Use Permits (CUPs) and Administrative Review Permits (ARPs). Mr. Jennrich addressed concerns brought forth during public comments. The committee addressed the chapters with Mr. Wessel and made suggestions for changes to bring back at a future meeting to review and discuss again.

Discussion/decision concerning Section 9.78 Sign Regulations of the Oneida County Zoning and Shoreland Protection Ordinance. The committee will be discussing updates. Mr. Jennrich informed the committee that the sign ordinance was forwarded to outside counsel, Andrew Jones. His office is reviewing it and looking at other county’s ordinances. Staff has reviewed the researched county’s ordinances received from Andrew Jones. The recommendation is to implement some of the language into a draft and bring it to the committee at a later date. The plan is to keep substantial portions of Oneida County’s Ordinance and implement additional changes to still maintain state requirements, but add some beneficial updates. The anticipated time frame is to be completed in 2024. Discussion only, no action taken.

Discussion/decision concerning adding language to the Oneida County Zoning and Shoreland Ordinance and to the Shoreyard Alteration Permit (SAP) Application to cover after-the-fact situations not covered within the Ordinance or under Section 9.97(F) and not noted on the current SAP Application. Mr. Troskey discussed some of the future intentions with Shoreyard Alteration Permits (SAPs). He further described situations that occur where the property owners apply for a SAP and it does not fall under the current Ordinance by meeting criteria pertaining to shoreland requirements. Mr. Troskey proposed adding language into the current Ordinance to encompass these situations. Mr. Jennrich explained the current process of the department, including discussions about after-the-fact matters. The committee reviewed a draft of a permit presented by the department to handle these situations. Motion by Mike Timmons, Tommy Ryden, to approve and schedule with Ordinance Amendment #13-2022. The members voted as follows:

Chair Holewinski, “Aye.”

Mike Timmons, “Aye.”

Tommy Ryden, “Aye.”

Bob Almekinder, “Aye.”

Mike Roach, “Abstain.”

Motion carried.

Discussion/decision – Planning & Zoning Department staff to discuss status of zoning-related complaints. Mr. Troskey discussed updates on the process of the complaints for the department. Discussion only, no action taken.

Discussion/decision – Planning & Zoning Department permit activity/revenue. Information provided to the committee with general discussions. Motion by Mike Timmons, second by Tommy Ryden, to accept the permit activity/revenue report received. With all members present voting “Aye,” the motion carried.

Refunds. There was one (1) refund request. Motion by Bob Almekinder, second by Tommy Ryden, to deny the refund as requested. With all members present voting “Aye,” the motion carried.

Approve future meeting dates. January 17 and 24, 2024.

Future agenda items. As discussed.

Adjourn.

3:26 p.m. There being no further matters to lawfully come before the committee, Chair Holewinski adjourned the meeting.

Scott Holewinski, Chair

Karl Jennrich, Planning & Zoning Director