

**VILLAGE OF NORTHPORT  
PLANNING COMMISSION  
116 W. Nagonaba St.  
Tuesday December 17, 2019  
MINUTES**

**Call to Order, Roll Call**

Chair Tyrrell called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Members present: Verdon, Tyrrell, Frerichs, Gale, McCann and Fuller. Absent: Collins, Heitler

**Public Present**

Jerry Schatz, Laura and Thomas Cavendish

**Staff Present**

Cindy Edmondson Recording Secretary

**Approval of Agenda**

December 17, 2019 approved with minor changes to draft.

**Approval of Minutes**

November 19, 2019 minutes were approved as written. December 5, 2019 special meeting minutes were approved with minor changes.

**Correspondence**

Chair Tyrrell presented Beckett & Raeder flyer for Recreational Plan ideas. Copy attached. Discussed addition of school age children ideas be included in research for recreational plan.

Chair Tyrrell also provided report from Jerry Schatz on possible 7<sup>th</sup> street property uses. See Attached.

**Public Comments**

Laura Cavendish from ATCFAP reported that she has applied for construction permit and project continues to move forward.

**Zoning Administrator's Report**

Copy of the report attached.

**Village Council Representative's Report**

Copy of the report attached.

**Infrastructure Committee Meeting Report**

Copy of D. Tyrrell's special meeting report attached.

## **Parks and Trails Committee**

No report this month. Meetings suspended until March 2020.

## **Re-review of Zoning Ordinance Articles 19-23**

Article 19-23 were re-reviewed. Zoning Administrator Fuller will review architectural standards.

## **Marijuana Dispensary Zoning Draft**

Zoning language from Ewart, MI and Kalkaska, MI were provided for consideration by Commissioner Tyrrell. (See attached) Discussion ensued with consensus to revisit Grand Rapids, MI ordinance. Commissioners agreed that their layout was preferable. Geographical differences could be changed to reflect Northport's size. Commissioner Gale provided definitions from Northport's Ordinances 124 & 125 for zoning language. (See attached).

## **Public Comment**

Jerry Schatz of Mill St. had comments about the cost of Marina improvements and the possibility of floating docks. He also suggested that specific criteria for building be well spelled out in the Zoning Ordinance and the decision for approval includes a rationale as to how this fits in to the Villages Master Plan.

Laura Cavendish asked if Commissioner Gale's definitions for the Marijuana Ordinance were available to the public.

Commissioner Gale responded it was taken directly from Ordinance 124 & 125 which is available to the public.

## **Commissioner Comments**

All Commissioners wished everyone a Happy Holiday season.

## **Adjournment**

Chair Tyrrell requested a motion for adjournment at 8:47 p.m. Commissioner Verdon so moved, Commissioner McCann seconded.

Meeting Adjourned at 8:47 PM.

## **Next Meeting – Tuesday, January 21, 2020**

Cindy Edmondson, Recording Secretary