VILLAGE OF NORTHPORT PLANNING COMMISSION
Special Meeting
April 4, 2023
MINUTES (Draft)

Call to Order, Roll Call

Chair Arbury called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

Members Present: Arbury, Newell, Gale, Wessell, Woomer.

Members Absent: Cavendish

Public Present - One member present via Zoom

Staff Present - Joni Scott, Zoning Administrator

Consultant Present – Arthur Mullen, Wade-Trim

Additions or Corrections to the Agenda

Chair Arbury added New Business – provide overview of April 19 meeting

Correspondence

Chair Arbury shared correspondence: two articles from Kathy Garthe on housing. They both appear on the Leelanau Township Foundation website containing information on housing for the community to access.

Public Comment

- Gerald Schatz - Gerald Schatz – Suggested that moving forward the Planning Commission should ensure that the greater community is made aware of any amendments to the Zoning Ordinance – meaning broader than the required 300 ft.

- **Old business:**
  - Continued work on Zoning Amendments beginning with completion of the Land Use Chart (see attached). Arthur Mullen to reconcile duplications.
  - Reviewed Article 12 CR–1 and Article 13 C-1 (Arthur Mullen to make changes to the narrative that reflect the updated Land Use Chart.

New Business

- Review upcoming April 19, 2023 meeting
    - The chair informed the board that we will be seeing a 'soft presentation' from a firm hired by a resident to build an apartment complex in Northport. Everyone is in agreement that this is not an application and in no way are they looking for an answer to their proposal at this meeting. Their stated goal is to share what they're proposing in an upcoming Land Use application and seek any initial feedback from the PC.
    - 7th Street – the board plans to use the balance of its time to complete the evaluations for the three proposed uses. We will 'walk through' each proposal, finalizing language for the evaluation tool.

Public Comment: None

Commissioner Comment:

- Several members expressed being pleased with the progress and look forward to this process being brought to a successful conclusion

Meeting closed at noon.

Next regular meeting April 19, 2023