

**MINUTES OF PUBLIC HEARING
Sawyer County Zoning Committee
August 21, 2020**

Zoning Committee Members

Ron Buckholtz, Chairman
Bruce Paulsen, Vice Chairman
Troy Morgan
Dawn Petit
Jesse Boettcher
Tweed Shuman, Alternate

Zoning Administration

Jay Kozlowski, Zoning & Conservation Administrator
Kathy Marks, Deputy Zoning & Conservation Administrator

PRELIMINARY MATTERS

- 1) Call to Order and Roll Call
Buckholtz called the Public Hearing before the Sawyer County Zoning Committee to order at 8:30 AM at the Sawyer County Courthouse, 10610 Main St., Hayward, Wisconsin. Roll is called finding present: Buckholtz, Paulsen, Petit, Morgan and Shuman. Attending from the Zoning Office: Kozlowski and Marks. Rebecca Roeker of von Briesen and Roper, s.c. as legal counsel for Sawyer County.
- 2) Pledge of Allegiance.
- 3) Buckholtz reads the Statement of Committee and Hearing Procedure and Statement of Hearing Notice.
- 4) Motion by to approve the July 21, 2020 minutes by Morgan, second by Paulsen. All in favor.
- 5) Public Comment. Alan Burt camper at Blueberry Lake speaks in favor of an increase to camper decks. Linda Zillmer, Edgewater property owner speaks of the agenda and having a typo with the date. Also of the members having no training to make decisions of the cases. Morgan takes offense to Ms. Zillmer's comments and cautions her that no insults need to be made and the members have had training and continue to do so. Motion by Paulsen to change the date of the minutes to reflect July 17, 2020, second by Shuman. All in favor. John Barton wonders if the deck size change is for campground and/or cabin decks. How would this be enforced? Doug Kurtzweil, resident of Sawyer County has concerns of the bunkhouse is defined as a rough, simple building with sleeping area and there would not be a kitchen or a toilet. Rachel Toczak says she is building a cabin not a bunkhouse.

REZONE APPLICATIONS

None

CONDITIONAL USE APPLICATIONS

- 1) A Public Hearing for CUP #20-010 in the Town of Bass Lake. Owner: Kenneth Gougar. Part of the NW ¼ of the SE ¼; S15, T40N, R09W; Parcel #002-940-15-4202; 20 Total Acres; Zoned Agricultural Two (A-2). Permit desired for the construction of an accessory building on vacant property subject to Section 4.26 (1) (a) of the Sawyer County Zoning Ordinance; the accessory

building will be 28' x 40' in size. LUP will be applied for principle dwelling within 3 years for it to be constructed. . Kozlowski reads the application, Staff Report, Town Opinion and Neighbor Opinions. Motion to open the public hearing by Paulsen, second by Morgan. All in favor. Kenneth Gougar, property owner speaks in favor of the application and questions the timeframe for the applications. Kozlowski explains the timeframe. Discussion held. Motion to close the public hearing by Paulsen, second by Shuman. All in favor. Kozlowski reads the discussion/action portion of the application. Discussion held. Motion by Paulsen to approve the application with conditions of abiding by the Zoning Rules and Regulations and the size limit of 28' x 40', second by Petit. Roll call finds: Petit – yes, Morgan – yes, Shuman – yes, Paulsen – yes, Buckholtz – yes. Findings of Fact: None

2) A Public Hearing for CUP #20-011 in the Town of Sand Lake. Owner: Brian Fjerstad. Highland Park Subdivision; W ½ Lot 15; S23, T39N, R09W; Parcel #026-126-00-1501; .436 Total Acres; Zoned Residential/Recreational One (RR-1). Permit desired for the construction of an accessory building across a public roadway subject to Section 4.26 (2) (b) in the Sawyer County Zoning Ordinance, The accessory building across Hummingbird Court, a public roadway, to be 58' x 40' in size. Kozlowski reads the application into record and a withdrawal letter stating that the owner is looking into different options. Motion by Paulsen to accept the withdraw of the application, second by Morgan. All in favor.

PROPOSED CHANGES TO THE SAWYER COUNTY ZONING COMMITTEE RULES AND BY-LAWS

1) A Public Hearing for the proposed changes to the Sawyer County Zoning Committee Rules and By-Laws. Jay explains that Roeker will go over the By-Laws with the Committee. Linda Zillmer, Edgewater property owner states that the public needs more time to go over the By-Laws. Discussion with Roeker, Committee and Zillmer. Motion by Shuman to close the public hearing portion, second by Morgan. All in favor. Kozlowski reads the discussion/action portion of the Rules and By-Laws. Motion by Paulsen to approve the changes and accept as presented, Second by Morgan. Roeker states that this will be presented at the next County Board meeting for their approval. Discussion continues. Roll call finds: Shuman – yes, Paulsen – yes, Petit – yes, Morgan – yes, Buckholtz - yes. All in favor.

NEW BUSINESS

1) Trailer Camps and Campgrounds. (Deck Size). Kozlowski explains that he has polled other Counties in the State and that most have a 200' maximum for deck size. Discussion with Committee, Kozlowski and Roeker. Doug Kurtzweil Sawyer County resident asks if this is just decks, or screen porches, canopies and other additions. Discussion held. ; Morgan Motions to approve with a 300' square foot decks. There is no second.

Break at 9:55am. Buckholtz calls meeting back to order at 10:00 am. Petit leaves meeting at 10:00am.

Discussion continues. Kozlowski states that this was a citizen request to change this part of the Ordinance to allow for larger decks. Motion to postpone 5a and 5b under new business until the September meeting by Paulsen, second by Buckholtz. All in favor.

2) Bunkhouse Ordinance. . Motion to postpone 5a and 5b under new business until the September meeting by Paulsen, second by Buckholtz. All in favor.

3) Multiple Conditional Use provisions under one (1) application. Kozlowski explains with Roeker's input that there should be two applications for each CUP. No comments.

4) Rentals of multiple non-conforming existing habitable dwellings on same lot. Kozlowski explains of the multiple habitable dwellings on one property and being used as VRBO and if a Conditional Use application is needed and/or County and State Inspections are needed from the Health Department. Roeker will work with Kozlowski to have a draft ready. Discussion continues. Doug Kurtzweil, Sawyer County resident speaks of habitable space in garages being used for rentals. Kurtzweil suggests reaching out to municipalities and property owners for opinions. Discussion continues. Roeker and Kozlowski will look into this for more information.

5) Any other business that may come before the Committee for discussion. None.

ADJOURNMENT

Buckholtz adjourns meeting at 10:45am.

Minutes prepared by Kathy Marks, Deputy Zoning & Conservation Administrator

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