

FAYAL PLANNING COMMITTEE MEETING
Wednesday, June 21, 2023

Meeting was called to order at 5:29 PM by Chair Alex Peritz. Members present: Heidi Coldagelli, Chris Erickson, Bill Maki, Bill O'Neal and Alex Peritz. Maki left the meeting at 5:44 PM. The meeting was held at the Fayal Ballfield.

Motion to approve the minutes of the May 17th, 2023 meeting, made by O'Neal, support from Maki. Motion carried unanimously.

Scheduled Guests- None at this time.

Audience Concerns- None at this time.

Correspondence- In New Business.

Old Business-

Ballfield- The Committee will tour the Ballfield today.

Economic Development Authority- No updates.

Aquatic Invasive Species Program- Erickson brought forward that he had not seen anyone staffing the decontamination unit at this time. Coldagelli will follow up with North St. Louis County Soil and Water Conservation District.

Picnic Shelter at Playground- Coldagelli received notice of a \$5,000.00 grant awarded by the Eveleth Community Foundation for the purchase of the picnic tables and benches at the picnic shelter. Will complete a walkthrough at the next meeting. Currently looking at installing a restroom in the skate shack portion. A sidewalk was installed last week. Removal of the old shack is starting soon and construction of the new storage shed. The Town intends to have National Night Out held at the picnic shelter if it is complete.

Grant Funding Opportunities- Received the Eveleth Community Foundation Grant.

Short-Term Rentals- No updates at this time.

Comprehensive Plan Update- Will review at the next meeting.

New Business-

Variance Application- Houdek- The applicant is building a new garage after the weight of the snow collapsed his old garage. He is looking for a variance as his old garage is too close to the road. Discussion regarding replacement of the existing garage.

Motion to defer to the County, made by Maki, support from O'Neal. Motion carried unanimously.

Coldagelli also brought forward that there was a missed variance request for Vertical Bridge that is installing a cell phone tower near Bodas Road. The variance was denied for a request for reduced setbacks, but will be able to meet the required setbacks.

O'Neal questioned the tree clearing done on Miller Trunk Road across from the Airport. Coldagelli responded that it was a requirement for site lines for the Airport.

The Commission began their walking tour of the Ballfield. The new 10 X 12 shed was inspected. Bill Maki left at this time. Clearing of the hillside has been completed and yard hydrants have been installed. Peritz recommended leveling the area near the bleachers and gravel for the new shed. Discussion regarding the



lights. Town Board Chairman Tony Tammaro was working on looking for in-kind services for the installation of the lights. Estimated installation of the lights is approximately \$100,000. Discussion that a scoreboard at this time may be more appropriate. The power would need to be run. Coldagelli can look into the costs again. With the addition of the shed, more games will occur as the shed will be used for concessions. The Youth Baseball League relies on concessions during their games for fundraising. Discussion regarding sponsor banners located on the fencing. The businesses listed on the fencing have contributed to Rock Ridge Youth Baseball and not the Township Ballfield. Discussion of the costs of the services that the Township provides for the Ballfield but the Township has not received any portion of the sponsorship funds.

Motion that in order to have a sign on the fence there needs to be direct contribution to Fayal, either the corporate sponsor or Rock Ridge Youth Baseball needs to make the contribution, made by Erickson, support from O'Neal. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion to adjourn, made by O'Neal, support from Erickson. Motion carried unanimously.

Chair Peritz adjourned the meeting at 6:06 PM.

Respectfully submitted,



Secretary Heidi Coldagelli