Planning Commission Meeting Minutes 9/26/23

Those present: Lani White, Keri Viers, Robt Cochran, Polly Peyerk, Adam Bronkema & Tom Wybranowski (ZO)

Meeting called to order at 10:25am by Chair Bronkema

Pledge of Allegiance

Minutes read (printed): **Motion** by Polly, sec. by Keri to approve minutes as presented. All in favor. **Motion** carried.

- 1) Food truck and short-term rental Ordinances should be back from Cliff (Twp. Atty) for October meeting. Then we can schedule public hearings. Target date will hopefully be mid-November.
- 2) **Trailer Ordinance**: Drummond Island has all storage lumped together, except it's split into rural & village. Adam is in the process of getting that together. They have short-term trailer rules: all have to be plated and be able to be moved. If not being used, campers, boats, etc. need to be, locked up, covered, and set in back yard (within setbacks).

Camping and trailer ordinances should be <u>separate</u>, & need to be enforceable.

If you have a movable vehicle, that is NOT a dwelling.

Tom W. has been getting requests for smaller structures. Minimum square footage = 720 square feet in our Zoning Ordinance.

F you are going to camp on your property, you must have a privy & follow LMAS health regulations.

Sec 3.16 of Zoning Ordinance: First sentence. No changes for now.

Forest Management & General Commercial zones are places that <u>campgrounds</u> are permitted, although in GC, it must have special approval.

Rather than force trailers off the Island, after use for the season, we should have rules on what needs to be done to store them for winter.

A permit process would allow Zoning Ordinance to remind campers of rules. It would help to be proactive and not punishing. It would also allow the ZO to check on situation, & would pay the ZO to do their job.

We need a timeline for trailer removal (those not having been used for a period of time), then put the removal cost on tax bill.

Once Ordinance is heard, published, and ratified, a copy **COULD** be sent out to all property owners. Copies need to be available for real estate agents.

Look over 2017 & 2022 camping/trailer draft proposals for next meeting. Adam will send what he has from Drummond Island and Beaver Island.

Next meeting will be Wednesday, October 25th at 10 am.

Adjournment at 11:26am.

Respectfully submitted,

Lani White, secretary