

JANUARY PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING

The monthly meeting of the Fairview Planning Commission was called to order at 6:35 PM on Monday, January 11, 2008 by Chairman, Ken LaPorte. Other Commission members in attendance were Tom Dechmann, Gary Tastad and Lee Wangstad.

Weidenbach Variance: The Commission reviewed a Variance request by Kathleen Weidenbach of 2016 Bluebill Lane for an "After the Fact" 14'x24' deck that is 51 feet from Gull Lake. Lee and Marla attended the on-site inspection. The deck was built on the footprint of the original deck, which was constructed when the shoreline setback was 50 feet. There are pavers covering the entire area under the deck and extending all the way down to the shoreline.

It was suggested that the ESD field inspector work with the property owners when the snow is off the ground in the spring to ensure run off is controlled by paver removal. Additionally, some shoreline restoration should be done with native plantings and prairie grass within the shoreline impact zone.

Agreed to send a letter stating that the Township has no particular issue with the size and placement of the deck, but the pavers should be removed and the shoreline should be revegetated.

Gull View Assn: At their meeting on December 26th the Cass County Planning Commission approved the Gull View Associations request for a Land Reclassification from Commercial to Shoreland Residential. All of the conditions requested by the Fairview Planning Commission except for the removal of the cabins have been placed on the Variance.

The Association was able to work out an agreement with Dr. and Mrs. Yeh to purchase the property needed to meet their land requirements. Dr. Yeh has created a 200 page document of conditions that are tied to the final sale of the property. If the association doesn't meet all of the conditions in the document they would lose the land and then the Variance and the Land Reclassification would be moot.

The Commission discussed suggested changes to the Comprehensive Plan. The notes will be attached separately.

Commission will meet again on Jan. 28th to continue the discussion on the Comp Plan. Then will meet again on Tuesday March 4th at 6:30 to finalize the suggestions to be submitted to the Board on March 5th and to the residents at the Annual Meeting on March 11th.

Lee/ Gary/ Unanimous: Motion to adjourn at 8:45 PM.

Marla Yoho, Secretary