

Village of Lily Lake

Approved Minutes of the Planning Commission Monday February 1, 2021

Chairman Steve Zahn called the meeting to order at 7:08 p.m.

Roll Call

The Plan Commission was called to order at 7:08 PM by Chairperson, Steve Zahn. Glenn Bork, Dan Turner, and Cheryl Pollak were present. Lisa Garbacz was absent.

Guests

No guests.

Adoption of the Agenda

Motion to approve the agenda of the February 1st Plan Commission meeting by Glenn Bork and second by Cheryl Pollak – all are in favor. The motion passes.

Approval of the Plan Commission Meeting Minutes – January 4, 2021

Motion to approve the meeting minutes from the January 4th Plan Commission meeting by Dan Turner and second by Glenn Bork – all are in favor. The motion passes.

Guests and Public Comment

No public comment.

New Business

a. Grant Application for Early Warning System

Chairperson Steve Zahn introduced the Advanced Weather Warning System and proposed it for application to the Kane County 2021 Riverboat Grant.

An outline of the proposed project was emailed to Commission members prior to the Monday evening meeting. The chairperson described the proposal as modified yearly since 2016 to supplement audible severe warning in parts of western Kane County. In 2018, the proposal expanded to include local weather conditions to assist in the warning process. In 2019, the proposal was modified to include adjacent fire protection districts in an expandable warning network. The 2021 proposal is reduced in scale to two warning sites with the addition of climate monitoring to position the project with an evolving National Climate Change Program.

The proposal was opened for discussion. Glenn Bork questioned the complexity of the proposal suggesting a simplified configuration using the concrete silo at the Community Building as the mounting structure for a weather warning siren is all that is needed. Chairperson Steve Zahn responded stating that the system must be serviceable and suitably grounded for equipment protection. Cheryl Pollak questioned the need for an audible system when the warning process is available to mobile devices and is the dominant means of community warning. There is also concern for the need to include sensors at warning sites when weather data is available from mobile weather applications. Dan Turner commented that severe weather alerts may be regional whereby the proposal provides warning based in part by rapidly changing conditions specific to the community.

Glenn Bork called to table the discussion stating that more time would be needed to better understand the proposal. Chery Pollak second the call to table the discussion.

Old Business

a. Land Use Comprehensive Plan

Chairperson Steve Zahn recapped the review process and noted the opportunity for the Commission to create the new plan from initiatives that did not exist 11 years ago. Rather than duplicate established comprehensive plans, build a new plan from an established one by incorporating the initiatives. Glenn Bork stated that a professional planner should be retained to develop the new plan and to review comparative plans in adjacent communities. The Chairperson recognized Mr. Bork's concerns. The Chairperson commented that the new plan will have the benefit of professional review following the draft stage. Dan Turner noted that a Committee produced draft is desirable and asked for assurance that a professional plan review will follow the draft stage of the new plan.

Chairperson Steve Zahn said that contact continues with the County to secure the Land Use Map file. An alternative would be to have a scan file made of the existing Land Use Map and thereby allowing map edits during the planning process. A file of the Land Use Map will be available at the March meeting.

The Land Use Plan Review to continue at the March meeting.

Adjournment

Chairperson Steve Zahn called for a motion to adjourn the meeting – Motion by Dan Turner, second by Cheryl Pollak - all are in favor. The motion passes. Meeting adjourned at 8:55 PM.