



LE SUEUR PLANNING COMMISSION
MEETING MINUTES
Thursday, March 12, 2020

A meeting of the Planning Commission was held on Thursday, March 12, 2020 at 6:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers with the following Planning Commissioners in attendance: Andrea Faches, Julie Sheehy, John Dieball, Colleen Johnson and Dan Ryerson. Commissioners absent: Melissa Huntington and Jack Roberts. Samantha DiMaggio, Community Development Director, and Newell Krogmann, Council Liaison, were also in attendance.

A **motion** was made by Commissioner Faches, seconded by Commissioner Sheehy, to approve the agenda as written. Commissioners Voting in favor: Ryerson, Johnson, Faches, Dieball and Sheehy. Commissioners Voting no: None. Motion carried.

A **motion** was made by Commissioner Faches, seconded by Commissioner Dieball to approve the minutes from February 13, 2020 with one correction, paragraph five should read "Commissioner Dieball joined the meeting" instead of "Commissioners Dieball joined the meeting". Commissioners Voting in favor: Ryerson, Johnson, Faches, Dieball and Sheehy. Commissioners Voting no: None. Motion carried.

Item 4.1, Comprehensive Plan Amendment: The Planning Commissioner went through recommended changes to the Comprehensive Plan, Chapter 4. These changes are being recommended by Nate Sparks, a consultant who works for NAC Planning and is our City Planner. After the Comp Plan was adopted the Zoning Code was amended to reflect the recommendations outlined in the Comp Plan. When making these changes, it was determined that the categories in the Comprehensive Plan were too broad. Mr. Sparks is recommending that we remove the four categories identified in the Comp Plan and Live, Work, Prosper and Conserve and go back to a more traditional land use categories such as specific housing types and business districts. The Planning Commission reviewed the proposed changes and had two comments, one was to remove a repetitive sentence and the other was to remove a proposed park that is no longer being considered adjacent to the river on the previously used compost site.

Item 4.1, CPAT Appointment: Commissioner Ryerson volunteered to represent the Planning Commission on the Comp Plan Action Team (CPAT) Committee. A motion was made by Commissioner Faches and seconded by Commissioner Dieball that Member Ryerson be appointed to represent the Planning Commission on the CPAT Committee. Commissioners Voting in favor: Ryerson, Johnson, Faches, Dieball and Sheehy. Commissioners Voting no: None. Motion carried

Item 5.1, City Council Report: Council Member Krogmann discussed the revival of the CPAT Committee and there was a discussion of why this committee is so important for the Community and it's future.

Item 6, Miscellaneous: Nothing to report.

A **motion** by Commissioner Dieball seconded by Commissioner Faches to adjourn until April 9, 2020. Commissioners Voting in favor: Ryerson, Johnson, Faches, Dieball and Sheehy. Commissioners Voting no: None. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Samantha DiMaggio
Community Development Director