

LAND INFORMATION / ZONING COMMITTEE MINUTES

September 08, 2020

Chairman Willingham called the meeting of the Rusk County Zoning/Land Information Committee to order at 9:31 A.M. in the Law Enforcement Center in the Rusk County Government Center. Members present were David Willingham, Bill McBain, Phil Schneider Mark Schmitt, James Meyer and Abbigail Knoll. Staff present: John Fitzl, Yvonne Johnson, Judy Srp, Nick Stadnyk and Colleen Schott.

McBain/Schneider motion to approve the committee minutes from the August 11th meeting. Motion carried.

Payment Approval Reports: Fitzl stated he had received two new office chairs. Schmitt/McBain motion to approve. Motion carried.

Land Information Report: Fitzl reported new employee Brittney is working out well. There were 37 fire numbers applied for last month, never had double digit applications in one month. Parcel mapping is plugging along. Rebecca has been submitting splits rather than submitting at end of year and has been working well. Working with the Sherriff department on addressing issues. Trying to determine why some addresses didn't convert over to the new system.

Register of Deeds Report: Srp reported IT created two backups in the new server for failsafe record keeping. All recent documents are digital. Office is scanning and verifying old documents and doing clean ups. Recording is up in Rusk County as well as all northern counties.

Treasurer Report: Nielsen not present. Johnson read report. We will be selling 15 parcels on Wisconsin Surplus Online Auction September 23rd, 2020 through October 14th, 2020. 2017 delinquent taxes will be sent out for title search the 3rd week of September. There were 7 plat books sold last month.

Zoning Report: Johnson reported there are 189 LUP in 2020 and 167 in 2019. Also, there are currently 75 SAN permits and 77 in 2019 to date. There are 259 camper permits issued in 2020. There have been 10 enforcement letters sent, 5 camper permits two with after-the-fact-fees. Hopefully will be able to be resolved amicably. There are three Board of Adjustment meetings in September. All are in the Town of Big Bend. Issues with short term rentals allowing more occupancy than permitted. Not enough staff to do enforcement. Committee will discuss issuing violations and placement of advertising signs at next month's meeting.

Land Conservation Report: Stadnyk stated the office is finishing up the barnyard project at the red cedar lodge this week. Brittney is helping with a grant for new software for the department. Focusing on the Devils creek watershed. Also working on the Agricultural Education and Workforce Development Council plan.

CSM review: 2 lot map in the Town of Strickland for Daniel Mujwid. Motion by Schneider/McBain to approve. Motion carried.

CSM review: 3 lot map in the Town of Washington for Richard Brand to clean up property lines. Motion by Schmitt/Meyer to approve. Motion carried.

CSM review: 1 lot map in the Town of Marshall for Alva Bontrager. Motion by McBain/Meyer to approve. Motion carried.

Fitzl stated his department is requesting two computer towers. The money is in the budget and has been approved by the property committee. Motion by Schneider/Schmitt to approve. Motion carried.

Fitzl also, requesting for \$2000.00 to have ProWest transfer data to upgraded server. Schneider/Schmitt to approve. Motion carried.

2021 Land Information Budget: Fitzl moved his Survey information over to the grant line.

2021 Zoning Budget: Johnson presented information regarding the increase of fees for 2021. Committee recommends to present the increase to the next County Board meeting. Motion by Meyer/Schmitt to accept the request to increase fees. Motion carried

The next regular meeting will be October 13rd, 2020 at 9:30 A.M.

Chairman Willingham adjourned the meeting at 11:27 A.M

Colleen Schott
Zoning Technician