

Minutes  
Grand Beach Planning Commission  
Regular Meeting  
May 14, 2019

Chairperson Raymond Kelly called the meeting to order at 12:00 pm CDT/ 1 pm EDT. Planning Commission (PC) members Laurie Roche, Patrick O'Leary, Frank Giglio and James Bracewell were present. Clerk/Treasurer Mary Robertson and Zoning Administrator/Building Inspector Bill Lambert were also present for this workshop meeting.

**Housekeeping:**

Roche moved seconded by O'Leary to adopt the Agenda as presented. Motion carried unanimously 5:0.

O'Leary moved seconded by Roche to approve the minutes of the November 13, 2018 regular meeting. Motion carried unanimously 5:0.

**Unfinished Business:**

The Commission reviewed suggestions for possible Zoning Ordinance (ZO) amendments from the Village Zoning Administrator/Building Inspector and Clerk/Treasurer. The Commission engaged in lengthy discussion of the suggested ZO sections and issues which included:

- temporary use/duration - dumpsters, trailers and pods
- location/permitting of outdoor utility units – generators, A/C units and pool equipment
- decks – considered as structures for lot coverage requirements
- subdivision signs
- pools, hot tubs – permitting, fencing
- fences – types, height
- building permits – expiration upon delays, conflicts with MI Building Code

The Clerk will forward the possible proposed ZO amendments to the Village attorney for review and comments. Depending on her comments we will determine whether another special meeting is necessary before providing the necessary notice for public hearing in conjunction with our July 9, 2019 regular meeting.

**New Business:**

The Commission discussed the New Buffalo Township draft Master Plan forwarded to us for review and comment, and determined that our response would only be to point out the inaccurate reference to visitor parking being available at the Village beach access points.

**Adjournment:**

There being no further business, O'Leary moved to adjourn, seconded by Bracewell and the meeting was concluded at 2:55 pm CDT/3:55 pm EDT.

Respectfully Submitted,

Patrick O'Leary  
Secretary Planning Commission