

City of Finlayson-Planning and Zoning Commission
Finlayson City Hall
Tuesday, September 3, 2024 6:30 p.m.

Members present: Dennis Liebelt, Nancy Liebelt, Jeff Flaws, Nate Konkel, Bruce Pogatchnik, Dave Auchter.

Members absent: Marge Haefner, Norm Kester, Josette Koets

Others present: Penny Simonsen, East Central Regional Development Commission (ERDC)

Called to Order: at 6:30 PM by Chairman, Nate Konkel who led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Minutes: Minutes were read by Nancy Liebelt. Motion by Bruce Pogatchnik to accept the minutes as read, seconded by Jeff Flaws. Motion carried unanimously.

Public Comment: None

Council Rep/Mayor Update: Up coming hiring of new clerk, Liz Kelley, and deputy clerk, Angela Hansen. Joe Okun will be the temporary zoning officer until his term expires in December, 2024. Only non-ordinary building or site permits will be directed to the zoning and planing commission. All others will be directed to the City Council for approval. Building permit requests will be given to the City Clerk.

Condemned Creamery: Sept 5, 1:00 p.m. Dave Auchter and others interested will meet with Pine Co Zoning, Pine County Auditor, County Administrators, and Economic Dev Coordinator to review and look at the condemned site.

Cannabis Law: There is a moratorium until January 1, 2025. After some discussion, Bruce Pogatchnik suggested possibly going with the county ordinance therefore there could be as few as three dispensaries in Pine County. Members discussed that the Munger Trail is actually part of the MN Park System. Review Chapter 342 from Office of Cannabis Management Office. (Overall, 1000' from a school, 500' from playgrounds, parks, etc.)

Abandoned Vehicle: on Broadway Street, Finlayson was taken care of.

NEW BUSINESS:

Penny Simonsen: East Central Regional Development Commission (ERDC), Transportation Director, 100 S Park St, Mora, MN 320-679-4065 x23 made an introduction of herself and her role in developing a comprehensive plan to meet the needs of the City of Finlayson, MN. Plan work will be from Oct 1, 2024-June 30, 2025. Her team will gather the statistic. She will guide

us in surveys, strengths, weaknesses, opportunities , threats and other matters.

Nate Konkel made a motion to have work teams meet the **second and forth Mondays starting October 14, 2024 from 1-2:30 p.m.** at the Finlayson City Hall. The frequency of the meetings will be further discussed at the October meeting. Seconded by Nancy Liebelt. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Nate Konkel to focus on the Blight Ordinances at the October meeting. Anyone with information from other resources should get materials to the clerk before the next meeting. Seconded by Bruce Pogatchnik, Motion carried unanimously.

Nancy Liebelt stated that she has information on building site permits from area communities. Bruce Pogatchnik offered to scan the documents and get info to the group electronically by the November meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 8:07 p.m.

Next Meeting, October 7, 2024 at 6:30 at Finlayson City Hall

Respectfully submitted by Nancy Liebelt.