



Planning Commission of Pine City, Minnesota

Minutes of Regular Meeting: 25 August 2020

Commissioners Present in Person: none

Commissioners Present by Electronic Means: Bombard, Clark, D'Aigle, Jahnz, Pettie, Rydberg, Scholin, Skluzacek

City Staff / Officials Present by Electronic Means: Sauter

Absent: none

Others Present by Electronic Means: Dennis and Vicky Johnson

Skluzacek called the meeting to order at 6:30pm. *Minutes of the July 28th meeting were approved as written, on a motion by Pettie, seconded by Bombard. All voted in favor.*

Public Hearing on Carey Minor Subdivision Request: Martin and Suzen Carey of 1150 Fourth Ave SW (PID 42.0210.000) have applied for a minor subdivision - which in this case is more of a lot rearrangement - to clean up some issues with the lots in their neighborhood. Their proposal would transfer a portion of their parcel (labeled Parcel A on the survey) to PID 42.5455.000, another portion (labeled Parcel B) to the City as an extension to Third Ave SW, a third portion (labeled Parcel C) to PID 42.5258.000, a fourth portion to PID 42.0209.002, and create a Remainder parcel for future development. This is a somewhat unusual procedure, which may not clearly fit as either a subdivision or a minor subdivision, but which will bring several parcels into better alignment with the MDO all at once. Staff have created draft findings of fact and resolution P20-08. The public hearing was called to order at 6:33pm, to allow for public input into this proposal. Sauter explained a bit about this proposal. There being no comments, the hearing was closed at 6:34pm.

Consideration of Carey Minor Subdivision Request: Following brief discussion, *Jahnz made a motion to adopt the proposed findings of fact and Resolution P20-08, recommending approval by the Council. Rydberg seconded the motion, which passed unanimously on a roll call vote.*

Public Hearing on Orvis Minor Subdivision Request : The Estate of Marie Orvis, along with the City, has applied for a minor subdivision of its property located in an A-O district, at 18540 Granite Drive NE (PID 42.0049.009), creating a one-acre parcel containing the buildings (Parcel A) and a 43+ acre parcel (Remainder) from the rest of the property. It is the City's intent to purchase both of these parcels, but the current owner would like to retain Parcel A for some time. Staff have created draft findings of fact and Resolution P20-09, and are recommending that this move forward. This hearing was called to order at 6:38pm, to allow public input on this proposal. There were no comments from the public, so Skluzacek closed the hearing at 6:39pm.

Consideration of Orvis Minor Subdivision Request: After brief further discussion of the purpose of the purchase, *D'Aigle made a motion to adopt the proposed findings of fact as presented and Resolution P20-09, recommending that the Council grant the Minor Subdivision. Bombard seconded the motion, which passed unanimously on a roll-call vote.*

Citizen Planner and Site Improvement Awards: There was some discussion of potential candidates. Sauter reminded the Commission that the nominations for these two annual awards are due by 4 September. She provided forms as part of the packet.

City Council Feedback: Scholin reported that the Council approved the changes to the MDO and the Michaels Variance as recommended at the last Planning Commission meeting.

Commissioners' Concerns: Skluzacek spoke about Bill Korbels contribution to the community, as well as Dan Rydbergs, and said he believes City developments should be named in their honor. There was also discussion of the importance of sidewalk development in the City.

Staff Comments: Sauter said that an application for the vacant position on the Commission had been received. The Council will likely appoint a new member at its meeting Thursday.

There being no further business, *Skluzacek declared the meeting adjourned at 6:57pm on a motion by Pettie, seconded by Jahnz.*

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