

PROCEEDINGS OF THE COUNTY BOARD

State of Minnesota
County of Kanabec
Office of the County Coordinator

February 6, 2019

The Kanabec County Board of Commissioners met at 9:00am on Wednesday, February 6, 2019 for a work session pursuant to adjournment with the following Board Members present: Kathi Ellis, Dennis McNally, Les Nielsen, Craig Smith and Gene Anderson. Others Present: Public Works Director Chad Gramentz, Environmental Services Supervisor Teresa Wickeham, and County Coordinator Kris McNally.

The Chairperson led the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Action #1 – It was moved by Gene Anderson, seconded by Dennis McNally and carried unanimously to approve the work session agenda with the addition of a discussion regarding a zoning-related topic from the Substance Abuse Coalition of Kanabec County.

A brief history on the purpose for the meeting was given by Dennis McNally. Kathi Ellis led the page-by-page review of the updated Ordinance #5 draft document. With input from Public Works Director Chad Gramentz and Environmental Supervisor Teresa Wickeham, the Board of Commissioners expressed consensus for the following document changes:

1. In all places throughout the document replace the title “Environmental Services Supervisor” with “Environmental Services Department”
2. Under item 3.1.1 remove “The term of office of Environmental Services Supervisor shall be indefinite and shall terminate at the pleasure of the Board of County Commissioners.”
3. Under item 3.2.1 add an alternate to the Board of Adjustment membership
4. Under item 3.3.1 add language to include at least 1 shoreland resident
5. Under item 3.6.1 change “granting” to “considering”
6. Under item 3.6.3.1 change “permitting” to “considering”
7. Under item 3.6.3.2 the following language was removed: “issued including information on the use, location and conditions imposed by the Planning Commission; time limits, review dates and such other information as may be appropriate.”
8. Under item 3.6.4.8 delete County Planning Commission and add County Board
9. Under item 3.7.4.7 add Environmental Services Department to define who is conducting the evaluation
10. Copy item 3.7.3.4 and add this language under new item 3.6.4.10
11. Remove item 4.4.1.8, 4.4.1.8.1, 4.4.1.8.2, and 4.4.1.8.3
12. The language from item 8.5 will be moved to item 4.5
13. Seventeen (17) unnamed lakes will be removed from the Lake Classification Chart. These unnamed lakes are covered under wetland regulations.
14. In all places throughout the document, Agricultural Feed Lots- Expansion or Resumption will be changed to “Not Permitted.” Agricultural feed lots are covered under the Pollution Control Agency.
15. Under item 5.2.5.3 change “a” County Board to “the” County Board

16. Under item 6.1.3.2 add “recycled material” to improved surface list
17. Under item 8.2.7 remove “except in mixed use zone with a CUP/IUP.”
18. Under item 8.4.3.3 remove “A maximum sign area of thirty-two (32) square feet per side may be permitted as an interim use.

Teresa Wickeham will check the statutory and regulatory language on items 3.4.2 and 4.4.1.5, and will gather additional counties’ vacation rental shoreland language for continued discussion at the next work session.

Dennis McNally proposed examination of designating mixed-use districts for a defined area on highway 65 on Knife Lake and highway 47 on Ann Lake. Gene Anderson proposed leaving currently zoned residential and commercial property “as is” and to look at undeveloped property for mixed use. The board agreed that maps with the proposed mixed-use information were needed for further discussion.

The board consensus was to hold another work session to further discuss vacation rental properties, proposed multi-use districts, and “spot” zoning.

Les Nielsen reported he had recently attended a Substance Abuse Coalition of Kanabec County meeting at which marijuana dispensaries and their related problems (based on reports from Colorado) were discussed. Les Nielsen asked to examine restrictions or prohibitions for marijuana dispensaries in Kanabec County similar to the adult industry prohibitions for preemptive county zoning.

Action #2 – It was moved by Gene Anderson, seconded by Les Nielsen and carried unanimously to adjourn the work session at 12:17pm. The Kanabec County Board of Commissioners will meet again in regular session on Wednesday, February 13, 2019 at 9:00am.

Signed _____
Chairperson of the Kanabec County Board of Commissioners,
Kanabec County, Minnesota

Attest: _____
Board Clerk