

**MINUTES OF PUBLIC HEARING
Sawyer County Zoning Committee
January 20, 2023**

Zoning Committee Members

Jesse Boettcher, Chairman
Ron Buckholtz
Tweed Shuman
Stacey Hessel
John Righeimer
Michael Mastri

Zoning Administration

Jay Kozlowski, Zoning & Conservation Administrator
Kathy Marks, Deputy Zoning & Conservation Administrator

Preliminary Matters

a) Call to Order and Roll Call

Boettcher called the Public Hearing before the Sawyer County Zoning Committee to order at 8:30AM in the Sawyer County Courthouse, 10610 Main St. Hayward, Wisconsin. Roll Call finds: Jesse Boettcher, Ronald Buckholtz, Tweed Shuman, Stacey Hessel. From the Zoning Office: Kozlowski and Marks. Kylie Owens, assistant to legal counsel, Andy Phillips for Sawyer County.

b) Pledge of Allegiance.

c) Statement of Committee and Hearing Procedure and Statement of Hearing Notice. Those persons wishing to speak will be afforded the opportunity provided they identify themselves. The Public Hearing Notice was published as a Class 2 Notice in accordance with Chapter 985 of the Wisconsin Statutes in the Sawyer County Record and Sawyer County Gazette.

d) Approval of December 16, 2022 minutes. Motion by Buckholtz to approve the December 16, 2022 Zoning Committee minutes. Second by Hessel. All in favor.

e) Public Comment. Linda Zillmer, Edgewater property owner and Douglas Kurtzweil, Town of Hunter property owner speak.

REZONE APPLICATIONS

None

CONDITIONAL USE APPLICATIONS

a) A Public Hearing in the Town of Lenroot. CUP #23-001. Owner: Julius & Lana Cook. Part of the NE ¼ of the SE ¼ ; S34, T42N, R09W; Parcel #014-942-34-4110; Tax ID#18668; 1.62 Total acres; Zoned Residential/Recreational One (RR-1). Permit desired for: Section 4.26 (3) accessory structure across a Town road. Size of building not to exceed 40' x 80' and will meet all setbacks. Kozlowski reads the application, Staff report, and Town opinion. No neighbor opinion letters returned. Motion by Buckholtz to open the public hearing portion of the application, second by

Shuman. All in favor. Lana Cook, owner speaks in favor of the application. Discussion with Committee held. No audience comments. Motion by Hessel to close the public hearing portion of the application, second by Shuman. All in favor. Kozlowski reads the discussion/action portion of the application. Motion by Shuman to approve the application, second by Hessel. Discussion held. Conditions of: 1) No habitable area is allowed in this structure. 2) No commercial use or operation allowed in the structure. 3) Size of proposed accessory structure not to exceed 40' x 80'. 4) All lighting to be downward facing lighting. 5) Must follow all other Town, County, State and Federal regulations/laws/conditions. Findings of Fact: 1) It would not be damaging to the rights of others or property values. 2) It would not be detrimental to ecology, wild life, wetlands or shorelands. 3) It would not create an air quality, water supply, or pollution problem. 4) It would not create topographical problems such as run off, drainage, erosion, flooding, or vegetative cover removal. 5) It would not create traffic or highway access problems. 6) It would not destroy prime agricultural lands. 7) It would be compatible with the surrounding uses and the area. 8) It would be consistent with the Town and/or County Comprehensive Plan. 9) It would not create an objectionable view.

NEW BUSINESS

a) Ordinance Amendment for Multi-Dwelling Development and definition of a resort. Kozlowski explains why the Ordinance was not sent to the Towns in December and that it is needed to be gone over more. Discussion by Committee. Motion by Buckholtz to postpone the decision to send to the Towns, second by Shuman. Discussion held. Buckholtz amends his motion to include that the changes be brought back to the Committee in February, second by Shuman. Discussion continues. Kylie Owens, assistant to Andy Phillips, Corporation Counsel advises that the Committee can move forward with the postponement. Roll call finds: Boettcher – yes, Shuman – yes, Hessel – yes, Buckholtz – yes. All in favor.

b) Short-Term Rentals and the future for Sawyer County. Kozlowski explains the need for a Short-Term Rental Ordinance. Kylie Owens, assistant to Andy Phillips, Corporation Counsel says that there will be changes needed to the old proposal as the laws have changed and changes needed specifically to Sawyer County needs. Discussion held. Andy Albardo, Sawyer County Administrator speaks of having an AD-HOC Committee or keeping it at the Zoning Committee level. More discussion to be held in February.

c) Any other business that may come before the Committee for discussion. None.

Boettcher adjourned meeting at 9:25am.

Minutes prepared by: Kathy Marks, Deputy Zoning & Conservation Administrator.