

Royalton Township Board Meeting - Planning Commission Minutes
August 27, 2024 – 7:00 p.m.
6052 Royalton Road, Braham, MN 55006

Chair Jessica Johnson called the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m.

Members present were Gary Valvoda, John Graham, Priscilla Schneider, Les Orvis and Jessica Johnson. Also present were members of the public.

Motion by Member Valvoda to approve the agenda as presented. Second by Member Graham. Motion carried 5-0.

Motion by Member Valvoda to approve the Minutes of the July 30, 2024 regular commission meeting. Second by Member Schneider. Motion carried 5-0.

Motion by Member Graham to approve the Minutes of the August 19, 2024 working commission meeting. Second by Member Valvoda. Motion carried 5-0.

OLD BUSINESS

Administrative Citation Ordinance:

Further discussions on this ordinance being used as a tool in emergency zoning situations where immediate action is necessary. The draft ordinance will be discussed in upcoming working meetings.

Short Term Rentals Ordinance:

This Ordinance is being researched and a working draft will be discussed at the next working commission meeting.

Proposed Campground Ordinance:

Working thru the final draft and integrating definitions. The commission will continue moving forward with this ordinance.

Elimination of MN State Building Code:

A drafted flowchart was created to assist the township in handling building permits for eliminating the use of the MN State Building Code. Commission members were asked to review the flowchart and bring forth a proposal to possibly eliminate the use of Rum River Consultants

NEW BUSINESS

Land split Proposal:

PID; 290136003 12014 Brunswick Rd Pine City, MN 55063 Discussed moving forward with Variance for the land split, Commission to review both county and township dwelling variances for Accessory units/Guest Homes. Questions around Homesteading and taxes. Need to reach out to our attorney for accurate definitions and any approval concerns.

Chair position

Les Orvis spoke about concerns on the approach the board took on requesting him to step down. He advised he would not step down. Board to address the position

Planning commission proceeding with Jessica Johnson as new chair

Upcoming Meetings:

Chair Jessica Johnson set the next planning commission working meeting for Tuesday September 10, 2024 at 6:30 p.m. as a regular working meeting.

An additional planning commission working meeting for Wednesday September 18, 2024 at 6:30pm to allow additional time for research and discussion on the proposed land split and any additional concerns around Dwelling - Accessory Unit variances.

The next regular planning commission meeting will be Tuesday September 24, 2024 at 7:00 p.m.

With no further business, at 7:26 p.m. Member Valvoda motioned to adjourn the meeting. Second by Member Schneider. Motion carried 5-0.

Respectfully Submitted,

Les Orvis, Member

Gary Valvoda, Member

Priscilla Schneider, Member

Jessica Johnson, Chair/Member

John Graham, Supervisor/Member