

VILLAGE PLANNING COMMISSION
HELD ON WEDNESDAY, July 16, 2025
AT 3:30 P.M. AT 315 QUARTZ STREET, ONTONAGON

At 3:30 pm the meeting was called to order and the Pledge of Allegiance was led by Chairperson Johnson.

CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL

PRESENT: John Hamm, Lyle Perry, Deb Seid, Chair-William Johnson

ABSENT: Dorothy Sharkey

AGENDA:

A motion was made by Perry, second by Hamm, (CARRIED) to approve the agenda as amended.

AYE: Perry, Hamm, Seid, Chair Johnson

NAY: None

ABSENT: Sharkey

MINUTES: June 18, 2025

A motion was made by Seid, second by Perry, (CARRIED) to approve the minutes of June 18, 2025, as presented with corrections.

AYE: Seid, Perry, Hamm, Chair Johnson

NAY: None

ABSENT: Sharkey

ITEMS FROM THE FLOOR:

None

BUSINESS:

a. Ordinance Update

The ordinance was approved by the council 05-27-2025 and can be found on the Village website under the Government tab.

b. Report of Zoning Administrator

Administrator Rebholz reported that we have received quite a few fence permits as well as multiple inquiries on the zoning possibilities of the Gorman house property as well as inquiries for garages.

A letter will be sent to a resident who currently has a hot tub in an alley right of way asking them to remove the hot tub. Perry offered to speak to the resident also.

Dusty Linder inquired about zoning for the building he is remodeling on Quartz Street. He is looking to do an expansion on the back side of the building. After a lengthy discussion, it was decided he can go ahead with his plans according to the Village zoning ordinance.

The Napa store is currently red tagged by the State HVAC, Electrical and Building Inspectors for various items. They were also given a variance by the Village for planting low lying shrubs rather than trees on their berm in front of the building but they have placed concrete barriers rather

than an earth berm which is in violation of the variance. They will not get their completed zoning permit as it stands.

A letter will be sent to a Village resident for alley infringements including a chicken coop, wood piles, green house and chickens and ducks as well.

A survey has been completed on three separate Village right of way away beach access properties including Prehnite, Epidote and Amygdaloid streets. Letters will be sent concerning infringements on these properties as well. 4 x 4 posts have been installed for signage stating these areas are Village beach right of ways.

Joe Domitrovich will survey the M-38 and Greenland Rd property this week so the Village can move forward with resolving the blight on this property.

The new house on 3rd & Pennsylvania is making good progress.

c. Park Plans

The Zoning Administrator requested a FOIA in January for the Abbey/Radke plans which the Township has not yet produced.

A request was also made for the plans for the proposed assisted living facility.

The Township is suspending their building code and is looking to re-do their master plan. They will utilize the state inspector for the time being.

A discussion was held regarding updating the Recreation Plan.

d. Rock Shop Purchase

A round house discussion was held regarding the request to purchase the right of way in front of the Gitchee Gumee Rock Shop. It is unknown who owns the property and if it has been abandoned by MDOT.

Mike Rebholz informed the Council that he spoke with Steve Hamilton regarding the Polaris charging station and, at no cost to the Village, they are going to re-up their lease for two more years.

NEW BUSINESS:

None.

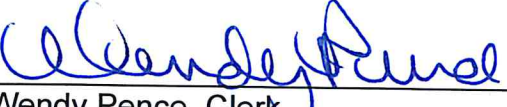
ZONING ADMINISTRATOR REPORT:

See Business part b. above.

ADJOURN:

The meeting was adjourned at the call of the Chair at 4:06 p.m.

Minutes recorded by Wendy Pence.


Wendy Pence, Clerk


Approved