

CITY OF BATTLE LAKE
PLANNING COMMISSION

The Battle Lake Planning Commission met Wednesday, March 29, 2016 at 5:30 pm at City Hall. Present were Commissioners Gary Dirckx, Bev McAllister, Mike Adkins, Dave Tomhave, Chuck Reeve and Don Maslow. Absent was Steve Seufert. Also present were City Zoning Officers Val Martin and Bert Olson.

The work session was called to order.

Several items were discussed while working on the Shoreland Management Ordinance:

- Dock and Riparian County Ordinance was reviewed. The commission decided that we do not necessarily have an issue and would not recommend dealing with this at right now.
- Permeable (pervious) pavers – Possibly consider as a use/argument when requesting a variance for impervious surface.
- Fence ordinances were reviewed. Commission would like to see no fences on the lakeshore side with regulations on other areas of the property.
- Impervious calculation – use with zoning permit and possibly as an appendices to the zoning ordinance.
- Towers – there is a need to regulate. Consider allowing only in certain commercial areas.
- Storage for campers and fish houses – must meet set back and impervious surface requirements.
- Campers are not really regulated and the Commission does not want to do this as many people have visitors over the summer. There is only one dwelling sight allowable per lot so this could make it an issue if someone is looking to do something long-term.
- Signs should be regulated in a separate ordinance.

The Commission reviewed the recommended changes to the Shoreland Management Ordinance. Work papers for Chapter 152 – Zoning Code were distributed. Olson and former Clerk, Berg-Vorgert had made a numbers of changes to the ordinance for review. Members will take home the work papers and we will continue the work on April 19th at 5:30 p.m.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:25 p.m.

Valerie J. Martin, Secretary
Battle Lake Planning Commission