

Houghton County Planning Commission

Meeting Minutes

5th Floor Conference room, Courthouse

Tuesday January 16th, 2024 4:00 PM

1. Call to Order at 4:00
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Roll call: Present: John Larson-chair, Timothy Sears – secretary, Ben Larson – county controller, Joel Keranen – county commissioner, Steve Aho, Mike Erickson, Allan Aho
Absent: none
4. Public Comments: None.
5. Approval of Minutes for Special meeting December 20th. Motion by S. Aho, Second by A. Aho. All approved
6. Agenda: No additions or changes. Motion J Larson, second – by A. Aho All approved.
7. Old Business: None
8. Working Groups
 - a. Commissioners meeting report: J. Keranen – New Planning member appointments next meeting January 17th.
 - b. Materials Management: EGLE calling for material management plan Part 115 mandate from the state. Is the county wanting to take on the requirements for recycling or should the transfer station be sold to a private entity?
 - c. Torch Lake: M. Erickson drafting a letter regarding the lack of a feasibility study prior to recommendations
 - d. Public Health: Nothing pertaining to planning
 - e. Recreation and Tourism: We've gotten snow.
9. Candidates for open planning commission Positions to be filled. 5 applications received.
10. New Business – Election of Officers: Tabled until next meeting after appointment of new planning commission members
11. Public Comments: None
12. Next meeting: March 19th at 4pm.
13. Adjournment: Motion by A. Aho, second T. Sears All Approved

Respectfully submitted: Timothy T Sears -Secretary