

TOWN OF BEAR CREEK PLAN COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES

Date: Tuesday, January 24, 2023

Time: 6:00 p.m.

Place: Bear Creek Town Hall

Committee Members Present:

Ted Greenheck

Jeff Wright

Sheley Scallon

Joe Bauer

Travis Nachreiner

1. Call to order: Ted Greenheck called the meeting to order at 6:02 p.m.
2. Verification of Notices: Sheley Scallon verified that all proper notices had been posted.
3. The meeting minutes from September 27, 2022 were previously distributed for review. Travis Nachreiner made the motion to accept the minutes as written. Jeff Wright seconded the motion. Sheley Scallon will send the approved meeting minutes to the Town of Bear Creek Clerk, Sheila Carver.
4. Discussion on Bear Creek Comprehensive Plan update for population census (2020) and other mapping updates provided by Sauk County.
 - a. Ted Greenheck stated that he spoke to Casandra Fowler, Sauk County Conservation, Planning, & Zoning (SCCPZ). Casandra said that minor changes to the Comprehensive Plan will not require a public hearing. Casandra will update the data in the Comprehensive Plan. The Town Board can amend the resolution as needed.
 - b. Ted Greenheck opened discussion for specific updates to the Comprehensive Plan.
 - c. Chapter 7 – Transportation
 - i. Page 55 – SCCPZ shall either update or remove the plans/programs that are listed.
 - ii. Page 56 & 57 – The Plan Commission did not have any recommended changes to the Transportation Objectives or Transportation Policies.
 - d. Chapter 8 – Economic Development
 - i. SCCPZ shall update information.
 - ii. Page 67, 8.3 – Change “cottage industries” to “home-based businesses”.
 - iii. Page 69, 8.6 – Change “cottage industries” to “home-based businesses”.
 - iv. Page 69, EDO-1 – Change “cottage industries” to “home-based businesses”.
 - v. Page 69, EDP-1A – Change “cottage industries” to “home-based businesses”.
 - vi. Page 69, EDP-1A – Delete last two sentences. Add the following: “The Town’s Plan Commission shall follow the Sauk County Conservation, Planning, & Zoning’s established system of Conditional Use Permits (CUPs) and Special Exception Permits.”
 - vii. Page 69, EDP-1B – Delete this policy.
 - viii. Page 69, EDP-2A – Change “attract” to “accommodate”.
 - ix. Page 69, EDP-2B – Delete this policy.
 - x. Page 69, EDP-3A – Delete this policy. Replace with the following: “The Town will work with Sauk County Conservation, Planning, & Zoning to promote retention of traditional farming and agriculturally-related businesses.”
 - e. Chapter 9 – Natural Resources
 - i. SCCPZ shall update information as needed.
 - ii. Page 77, NRP-4B – Delete this policy.
 - f. Chapter 10 – Intergovernmental Cooperation
 - i. Page 79 – SCCPZ shall update adjacent Town Comprehensive Plans / Policies as needed.
 - ii. Page 80 – SCCPZ shall either update or remove the plans/programs that are listed.
 - iii. Page 82, ICP-3D – Delete “develop and”.
 - g. Chapter 11 – Land Use
 - i. SCCPZ shall update information and maps.
 - ii. Page 87, 11.7.2 – Change “cottage industry” to “home-based businesses”. Delete “types of commercial uses”.

- iii. Page 89 – Add the following line item: “Will not result in undue light pollution.”
- iv. Page 90, LUP-5A – Change “unkempt” to “unkept”.
- v. Page 90 – Add the following policy: “LUP-5B Discourage light pollution.”
- vi. Page 91, LUP-8A – Verify that SCCPZ has completed their animal density rules. If so, delete last sentence.
- h. Chapter 12 – Implementation
 - i. Page 96, 12.2 – Add the following: “The Comprehensive Plan was reviewed by the Plan Commission in 2023.”
 - ii. Page 97, 12.2.2 – Delete “Based on these two deadlines, the Town should update its Comprehensive Plan before the year before 2017.” Add in its place: “The Comprehensive Plan was updated in 2023. The next update shall be prior to 2033.”
- 5. Open Board Discussion
 - a. Gina Templin has resigned from Sauk County Conservation, Planning, & Zoning.
 - b. For our next meeting, the Plan Commission shall be prepared to discuss possible ordinances to bring to the Town Board for consideration.
- 6. The meeting was moved to adjourn by Travis Nachreiner and seconded by Jeff Wright. Our next meeting will be on Tuesday, February 28, 2023 at **6:00 pm**.

Respectfully submitted,
Sheley Scallon, Secretary