

**CITY OF COHASSET  
PLANNING COMMISSION MINUTES  
305 NORTHWEST FIRST AVE, COHASSET, MINNESOTA  
WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 3, 2014, 6:00 P.M.**

1. **Call Meeting to Order:** Vice Chair Steve Otto called the meeting to order at 6:02 p.m.

2. **Roll Call**

a. **Voting Members Present:** Josh Casper, John Chell, Johnnie Fulton, Brian Kielpinski, Lois Kirschbaum, and Steve Otto

b. **Absent with Notice:** Steve Brown

c. **Ex-Officio Members Present:** Zoning Officer Greg Tuttle, City Council Liaison Jason Tabaka, and City Attorney John Licke.

d. **Others Present:** Todd Christenson

3. **Review and Approve Agenda**

a. **Additions:** None

b. **Deletions:** None

*A motion was made by Chell/Kielpinski to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried unanimously.*

4. **Resident Input:** None

5. **Review & Approve Planning Commission Minutes of August 6, 2014:** *A motion was made by Kielpinski/Fulton to approve the August 6, 2014 minutes as presented. Motion carried unanimously.*

6. **Continuation of discussion and possible recommendation to City Council regarding garbage collection** – After extensive discussion with Attorney John Licke, *a motion was made by Fulton/Kielpinski to recommend to City Council that garbage collection in Cohasset remain unregulated. Motion carried unanimously.*

Licke asked the Planning Commission to review the blight ordinance and indicate if they felt “anything was missing.” This item will be on the October agenda.

7. **Review zoning ordinance regarding boathouse height, non-conforming structures, and ground level decks/patios.** The ordinances regarding boathouse height, non-conforming structures, and ground level decks/patios were reviewed and Zoning Officer Tuttle asked for input to clean up the language. This item will be on a future agenda.

8. **Reconsider Klingman variance continuation motion** – Attorney Licke explained that the motion made at the last Planning Commission meeting had an indefinite time frame and the City would like to deal with the variance request in a timely matter. Attorney Licke explained he approached Klingmans attorney and was told the earliest they would agree to is November 2014. *A motion was made by Kielpinski/ Casper to take action on the Klingman variance at the November 5, 2014 Planning Commission meeting. Motion carried unanimously.*

**9. Updates:** Portage Park Campground - Tuttle stated that he is waiting for information /clarification from the engineer regarding wetland options and locating the Ordinary High Water Level (OHWL).

Vice-Chair Chair John Chell adjourned the meeting at 7:25 p.m.

Submitted by Karen Mester, Deputy Clerk

Approved: 10/14/2014