

City of Scanlon
Planning Commission Minutes
July 10, 2024
4:30 pm

Pursuant to call, and with due notice Mayor, Ron Stigers called to order this meeting of the Planning Commission at 4:30 p.m. in the Scanlon City Council Chambers on Wednesday, June 10, 2024.

Roll Call: Mayor Ron Stigers, Mike Berthiaume, Cody Grashorn, Annette Bryant, Marshall Johnson, Wendy Kidd, Matt Paquette – Public Works and Jill Wartner – City Clerk.

Absent: Scott Boedigheimer, Hilary Hedin

Citizen Present: Lori Stigers, Bruce Welman, Dane Venio

The proposed changes for the Zoning Ordinance were discussed. The proposed changes were taken from Cloquet and included adding a residential section regarding storage containers that would only allow for 48 hours during construction. Commercial businesses would be allowed to have 10 on their property for permanent storage use.

Marshall mentioned that historically Scanlon did want storage units. Annette brought up that we typically like to follow Cloquet’s Ordinance and this would be the same as Cloquet. There was concern about only allowing residents 48 hours to have storage units during construction. Jill mentioned that residents could always do a variance to request more time. Bruce Welman (AirServe) asked why this is only being brought up now when he’s had 3 of the 4 shipping containers on his property since 2013, Council responded it was due to a resident complaint. Wendy Kidd asked how many businesses would be affected if we pass this? Jill mentioned they all would but in a good way because right now our Ordinance doesn’t allow for any while the new changes would allow up to 10 for Commercial properties. Bruce stated the reason they like to use the metal shipping containers is because they are rodent and bug proof. Wendy is concerned with Scanlon appearing anti-business. Cody asked AirServe if it would be a big task to ask businesses that do wish to have metal shipping containers to paint them a similar color scheme of their business, they replied that would not be an issue and a good compromise. Another concern that should be addressed in the Ordinance is if rental properties are considered commercial or residential.

Cody and Annette are willing to help with a draft of the new Ordinance.

Adjournment: Motion to adjourn made at 5:02pm made by Cody Grahorn, second by Annette Bryant. All in favor, motion carries.

Ron Stigers, Mayor

Jill Wartner, City Clerk/Treasurer

ATTEST