

Spearfish Planning Commission



Regular Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, August 20, 2019

The Spearfish Planning Commission met in regular session on Tuesday, August 20, 2019 at 3:00 pm in the council chambers at Spearfish City Hall. Members present: Toby Bordewyk, Barbara Zwetzig, Greg Kruskamp, Meghan Byrum, Drew Skjoldal, Bob Meyer. Absent: Larry Vavruska. Also present: City Planner Jayna Watson, City Administrator Mike Harmon, and City Attorney Ashley McDonald.

Chairman Kruskamp called the meeting to order at 3:00 pm.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Meyer moved, Byrum seconded and all voted to approve the minutes of the Planning Commission meeting of Tuesday, July 16, 2019 as presented.

DECLARATIONS OF CONFLICTS OF INTEREST:

Kruskamp called for any potential conflicts of interest to be identified. No conflicts were expressed.

- 1. Request: Provide Input to Sign Ordinance Update**
Location: City-wide
Applicant: City of Spearfish

Watson provided a summary of the staff report and the temporary sign regulations proposed. Discussion took place concerning a number of issues including the number and sizes of signs allowed. In general, the Commission felt that the current proposal allows too much for temporary signage and a more conservative approach is needed. Rick Furnish offered comment regarding need for simplicity in understanding what signage is allowed and the ease of enforcement.

No action was taken.

- 2. Request: Provide input concerning small wind energy systems**
Location: C-2 Highway Service Commercial, Light and Heavy Industrial, DRD Commercial, and Airport Zoning Districts
Applicant: City of Spearfish

Watson presented the staff report and an overview of the proposed small wind energy system ordinance. Several comments were provided concerning various sections related to refinements needed in the definitions, as well as additional clarifying language needed for the conditional use permit approval criteria 1, 2, 4, 7, 8, and 9. The general consensus was that mitigation of impacts should account for existing and future development.

No action was taken.

CITY COUNCIL UPDATE:

Watson reported on various matters coming before the city council on August 19, 2019.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Public comment section opened but no comments were heard and this section closed.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business to come before the commission, Kruskamp adjourned the meeting at approximately 4:25 p.m.