

**PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING
415 N. MILWAUKEE ST.
NOVEMBER 7, 2011 at 5:30 PM
APPROVED/OFFICIAL MINUTES**

1. Planning Commission meeting was called to order at 5:30 PM by Chairman Langmesser. Present: Ranke, Schmidt, Derse, Gerard, Draskovich, Attorney Dubis and Residents. Commissioner Hardy was excused.
2. Chairman Langmesser led the Pledge of Allegiance.
3. Gerard motioned to approve the October 3, 2011 meeting minutes as written, seconded by Schmidt. Motion carried.
4. Correspondence- None
5. Pier Permit – Matthews, 4514 Empire Ln.- Applicant stated he was requesting a pier permit for an existing pier. Gerard asked how long the applicant has been at the residence. Applicant replied he had been there for four years. Gerard stated that the structure looked newer than four years. Applicant replied that there was a section that they had to replace the panels. Discussion took place on how the Clerk's office found out of the unregistered pier. Derse stated the setbacks seem to be wrong. Applicant stated he was told only the pier needed to be set back 10 feet. Commission informed the applicant that the boat lift(s) needed to have the 10 foot setback as well. Gerard stated the Town's ordinance stated the deck shall not exceed 112 sq. ft. and the applicant has 240 sq. ft. Applicant stated the DNR measured differently. Gerard questioned how many exceptions were going to be allowed for existing piers and suggested possibly changing the current ordinance to accommodate existing piers. Draskovich asked if the applicant was able to reduce the size of the "deck" by removing portions. Derse stated that small variations he does not have a problem with, but this particular pier had three issues; both side setbacks and loading platform(deck). Gerard stated he would like the applicant to try and accommodate some of the issues. Commissioners offered suggestions. Gerard motioned to have applicant redraw taking out the two 5x8 sections and have applicant submit the drawing prior to Town Board, seconded by Schmidt. Supervisor Tom Hincz, would like the changes approved by Planning before submitting to Town Board. Planning Commission gave Gerard the authority to approve the new configuration to be submitted by the applicant. Motion carried.
6. Shore land Contract Report-
7. Announcements/Discussion-

Gerard motioned to adjourn the meeting at 6:00 PM, seconded by Draskovich. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,
Heather Stratton, Deputy Clerk