

**ONEIDA COUNTY PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT  
JULY 8, 2013  
WOODRUFF TOWN HALL  
1418 1<sup>ST</sup> AVE. WOODRUFF, WI 54568**

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Members present: Scott Holewinski, Mike Timmons, Jack Sorensen, Dave Hintz and Gary Baier

Department staff present: Karl Jennrich, Zoning Director, Pete Wegner, Assistant Zoning Director and Julie Petraitis, Secretary II.

Other county staff present: Guests present: Brian Desmond, Corporation Counsel

Guests Present: Greg Niemi, Billy Fried, Ron Wingender, Bob Williams, Candy Sorensen, Jimmy Rein, Adam Redman, Mike Roach, Glenn Schiffmann, Steve Ferek, Jim Mulleady, Kirby Redman, Norris Ross, Joan Ross, Connie Anderson, Greg Harrold, Ben Schlechter, Steve DeNamur, Tom Handrick, Bob Martini,

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**Call to order.**

Chairman Holewinski called the meeting to order at 6:00 P.M., in accordance with the Wisconsin Open Meeting Law.

**Discussion/decision of the agenda.**

Motion by Jack Sorensen second by Mike Timmons to approve the agenda. With all members present voting "aye", the motion carried.

**CONDUCT PUBLIC HEARING ON THE FOLLOWING:**

**Ordinance Amendment #4-2013 authored by the Planning and Development Committee to amend Section 9.98, Piers, Other Berth Structures, Shoreland Bulk Requirements, of the Oneida County Zoning and Shoreland protection Ordinance as follows:**

Mr. Jennrich read the mailing list into the record.

Mr. Jennrich informed the public that Oneida County has been regulating the placement of piers since 1998. There have been comments made that Oneida County cannot regulate piers and this has been a topic of discussion with Corporation Counsel in the past. It was determined that Oneida County can regulate piers they just cannot be less restrictive than the State requirements.

Mr. Wegner stated that there were Ordinance Amendments on this in 2003 and 2006. Those changes (in 2003) consisted of requiring a zoning permit for a pier greater than 50' and a zoning permit for the placement of a wharf when previously those would have required a Conditional Use Permit. In 2006 there was an amendment that went to Public

Hearing to eliminate all of Section 9.98. The County wouldn't be regulating piers at all. That failed at Public Hearing so it didn't go to the County Board. There was another amendment in 2006 that basically stated that if there is going to be a boathouse it must be in the 30' view corridor.

Staff provided handouts showing the differences between the County Pier Ordinance and the Department of Natural Resources pier language.

Mr. Wegner went through the proposed changes to the pier ordinance.

Mr. Jennrich read correspondence from Mr. Wingender regarding piers into the record. Correspondence from Mr. Dvorak regarding his support of the changes to piers was read into the record.

Mr. Holewinski opened the Public Hearing up for public comments at this time. Everyone had an opportunity to speak. Chairman Holewinski took a survey of how many thought the County should continue to regulate piers and how many felt the County should not regulate piers. 14 people were against and 6 people were for the County regulating piers.

6:41 p.m. The public portion of the Public Hearing closed.

The Committee discussed the proposed changes to the pier ordinance and whether or not the County should continue regulating piers.

It was the consensus of the Committee not to pursue the elimination of regulating piers.

Discussion was held on some of the suggestions made by the public concerning the proposed changes to the pier ordinance.

Motion by Baier to eliminate the regulation of piers from the Oneida County Zoning and Shoreland Protection Ordinance. There was no second to the motion. Motion failed.

Motion by Baier, second by Timmons to adopt the Department of Natural Resources rules regarding piers with the exception of lighting and marinas. The County will regulate lighting and marinas. Staff will examine language and bring suggestions back to the Committee for review at a future public hearing. With four members voting "aye" and 1 member voting "nay" the motion carried.

**Ordinance Amendment #5-2013 authored by the Planning and Development Committee to amend Section 9.99, Shoreland Uses and Structures, of the Oneida County Zoning and Shoreland Protection Ordinance as follows:**

Mr. Jennrich read the proposed changes into the record.

Mr. Wegner explained some options for changes to decks on waterfront properties.

A handout was provided to show the existing regulations.

Mr. Holewinski gave each person in attendance an opportunity to speak.

Motion by Sorensen, second by Baier to approve the changes as presented. With all members voting "aye" the motion carried.

**Ordinance Amendment #6-2013** authored by the Planning and Development Committee to amend Section 9.94A, Boathouses, of the Oneida County Zoning and Shoreland Protection Ordinance as follows

Mr. Jennrich stated there are 2 options to this amendment. Option A would eliminate boathouses entirely.

Mr. Holewinski allowed everyone in the audience a chance to speak. Twelve people were against eliminating boathouses, 1 person was for eliminating boathouses.

Mr. Holewinski closed the public comment portion of the public hearing.

Motion by Baier, second by Timmons to deny the changes to 6-2013 Option A, to eliminate boathouses. With four member voting "aye" and one member voting "nay", the motion carried.

OPTION B: This would allow flat roof boathouses.

Everyone in the audience had an opportunity to speak. Eleven people were for this option. Four people were against Option B and 2 people had no comment.

The public comment portion of the public hearing closed.

Motion by Baier, second by Timmons to allow flat roof boathouses. With all members present voting "aye", the motion carried.

Line item transfers, purchase orders and bills. None

Refunds. None

Approve future meeting dates: July 17 and August 7, 2013.

Public Comments. Connie Anderson asked how the Committee was able to vote on whether or not to continue regulating piers when it wasn't on the Agenda.

Adjourn.

8:18 p.m. There being no further matters to lawfully come before the Committee, a motion was made by Jack Sorensen second by Mike Timmons to adjourn the meeting. With all members present voting "aye", the motion carried.

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Chairman Scott Holewinski

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Karl Jennrich  
Planning & Zoning Director