

City of Gem Lake Planning Commission Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, September 4, 2018 7:00 p.m., Heritage Hall, 4200 Otter Lake Road

Call to order and Roll Call

Chair Ben Johnson called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m. Commissioner Pratt and Wippich were present.

Staff: Tom Riedesel, City Planner.

Citizens/Presenters: John and Darlene Birkeland, Josh Eckton, Paul Emeott, Phil Hoey, Laurel Amlee, Pete Oswald, Craig and Kathy Rafferty, Karl Stuemke, Don and Sheila Waldoch

Approval of Agenda

Commissioner Pratt made a motion to approve, seconded by Commissioner Wippich, motion passed.

Approval of Minutes

Commissioner Wippich made a motion to approve the minutes of August 7, 2018, seconded by Commissioner Pratt. Minutes approved.

Old Business

None

Public Hearing

The Planning Commissioners reviewed and approved the Meeting Minutes for August, 2018 (see attached), held public hearings for applications from Hy-Vee and Honey Bear Meadery and heard comments from Gem Lake City Planner Tom Riedesel, the applicants and members of the community.

1. Application from Hy-Vee to redevelop the SE corner of Highway 61 and Ramsey County Road E.

The Planning Commission recommends the Hy-Vee application be approved by the City Council, provided the applicant meet those conditions identified as 'actions' 1-11, on pages 7-9 of the application review Memorandum from City Planner Tom Riedesel to the City of Gem Lake Planning Commission dated June 27, 2018 and updated August 1 and August 21, 2018.

2. Application from Honey Bear Meadery for the development of a mead pub at 1595 County Road E.

The Planning Commission recommends that Honey Bear Meadery application approved by the City Council, provided the applicant satisfactorily responds to those comments outlined in the Memorandum regarding the applicant's Sketch Plan Review from the City Building Official, Mike Johnson, dated August 14, 2018, and provided the applicant meet those conditions identified as 'actions' 1-2 on page 3 of the application review

Memorandum from City Planner Tom Riedesel to the City of Gem Lake Planning Commission dated June 25, 2018.

Public Comments

On the application for a CUP for a residential garage addition at 3812 Schueneman Rd, Gem Lake, MN 55110, the Planning Commissioner did not hold a public hearing and took no formal action. Following a review of the Application Review Memorandum from City Planner Tom Riedesel, the Commissioners and applicant had a discussion in regards to the possibility of granting a variance from the existing zoning requirements pertaining to location, height and size of the proposed garage addition. Item was tabled pending further review by both the applicant and the City Planner.

Adjourn

Commissioner Pratt made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Wippich to adjourn the meeting. Motion passed, meeting adjourned at 7:55 p.m.