

CITY OF WEYAUWEGA  
PLAN COMMISSION MEETING  
PROCEEDINGS FOR NOVEMBER 15, 2021

The Plan Commission meeting was called to order by Mayor Jack Spierings at the Weyauwega Municipal Building Council Chambers at 6:00 pm. Roll call was taken. Members Present: Mayor Jack Spierings, Kaley DuCoeur, Bob Anibas, Andrew Rosenwinkel, and Don Morgan. Not Present: Rory Koch and Cameron Looker. Also Present: City Administrator Jeremy Schroeder, Clerk Rebecca Loehrke and Chris Gunderson.

*Motion Rosenwinkel, second Morgan, to approve the minutes from the Plan Commission Meeting on September 15, 2021. Motion carried with all "ayes."*

**Citizen Appearances:** None

**Discussion and possible action on sign permit application for Picklebellies Pub at 128 E Main Street:** Commission noted that the signs look very nice even though they were put up before being approved. *Motion DuCoeur, second Rosenwinkel, to approve the sign permit application for Picklebellies Pub at 128 E main Street. Motion carried with all "ayes".*

**Discussion and possible action on sign permit application for bakery at 122 E Main Street:** Schroeder discussed that the City Building Inspector, Bob Underberg, has reached out to the business owner to get some clarification on the installation of the sign and also what type of bakery would be in the building. The sign itself meets all conditions. The commission can approve the sign contingent on the approval of the Building Inspector. *Motion Morgan, second Anibas, to approve the sign permit application for the bakery at 122 E Main Street contingent on the approval from the building inspector. Motion carried with all "ayes".*

**Discussion on Chapter 530 Zoning, Article VIII Signs, Canopies, Awnings and Billboards:** Commission members received a copy of the whole chapter on signs. Schroeder stated the ordinance is outdated and not user friendly to business looking for information on signage requirements. He would like the commission to review the ordinance and bring back suggested changes to the next meeting. One of the areas to look at would be to allow projecting signs that are secured to the building. Projecting signs makes it easier for people to find business and is also one of the suggestions brought up when the First Impressions group was in town. Schroeder has some examples that he will share from other municipalities that use pictures to help with determining types of signs. The commission would also like to look at murals/painted walls, putting a time limit on banners being used for signs and promotional flags. Will discuss more at the next meeting.

**Discussion on Chapter 530-19 Zoning, B-1 General Business District:** This item is being brought forward for discussion due to #10 under B-1 General Business that allows for restaurants, lunch rooms and other eating places, except drive-in type establishments. With the Wega Drive-In for sale at 417 W Main Street, city staff would like to remove that exception to not hinder any possible sale of that property. It has been operated as a drive-in for decades. There was a lot of discussion in regards to drive-in vs drive-thru properties and if they are considered the same

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thing. DuCoeur believes they are the same and would like to see it listed as a conditional use to have some oversee in a new business coming in. Morgan feels that the property would be grandfathered since it has been there so long. He would like to see the last 4 words of that sentence removed "except drive-in type establishments." *Motion Morgan, second Rosenwinkel, to remove the 4 last words "except drive-in type establishments" from #10 under permitted used in B-1 General Business District. Motion carried with 3 "ayes" and one "nays from DuCoeur.* DuCoeur would like to continue discussion next month if a conditional use permit would be needed.

**Such other matters as authorized by law:** None

*Motion Rosenwinkel, second DuCoeur, to adjourn at 6:30 pm. Motion carried with all "ayes".*

**Recommendations to Council:**

1. *Recommend to approve the sign permit application for Picklebellies Pub at 128 E Main Street.*
2. *Recommend to approve the sign permit application for the bakery at 122 E Main Street contingent on the approval from the building inspector.*

Rebecca Loehrke  
City Clerk