

JOINT TB/PC MEETING
1/10/18

Present: M. Peters, M. Sanders, L. Serocki, J. Westphal, I. Wunsch
Also present: N. Heller, B. VanDenBrand, C. Peterson, C. Deeren, G. Hayward, D. Sanger,
Nan Smith

Meeting called to order at 1:07 PM

JUNK ORDINANCE

Reviewed Ordinance 7.2.4 (Outdoor Storage) in current Zoning Ordinance, current Police Power Junk Ordinance #41, and draft Police Power Junk Ordinance #53.

Discussed unregistered motor vehicles, boats, snowmobiles, campers, trailers, etc that are not stored in a building. Top junk priorities for Zoning Administrator and Code Enforcement Officer are unlicensed vehicles, vehicles parked where they should not be, and building debris stacked outside long after work is completed.

Need to address farm machinery, and the understanding that some farm machinery may sit for long periods of time, but is still used for farming or for parts. Also discussed that car repair can take longer than 24 hours, building supplies may be used over a longer time frame, and other ways that this ordinance appears too stringent.

Point made that if machinery or building supplies can be hidden from the road or neighbors, a complaint would not be made.

Decided language is needed from both current Ordinance #41 and proposed Ordinance #53 that give Zoning Administrator and Code Enforcement Officer the ability to make decisions on a case by case basis. Have a procedure where this is voluntary compliance before violation letter is sent.

All members to send Brian their definition of junk.

SHORT-TERM RENTAL

At this point in time, all rentals under 30 days are illegal, except for room rental at B&B establishments. There was discussion regarding non-owner occupied rental, owner-occupied rental, and B&B rental. Most complaints at October PC meeting were in regards to non-owner-occupied rentals, which are illegal. It can be difficult to prove owner is not there when house is being rented.

Discussed the possibility of registering Airbnb for owner-occupied rentals. In order to rent, a registration would be needed and there would be a streamlined permitting process. At this time, Airbnb owners do not have inspections and are not required to meet any regulations.

B&B owners need an SUP and have many requirements to meet. Concluded that if allow owner-occupied rentals, must look at regulations on B&B establishments and give those owners some relief. Evaluate both processes at the same time.

Non-owner-occupied rentals would not be allowed.

If a neighbor signs a complaint, it is much easier for Zoning Administrator or Code Enforcement Officer to take the violation to the magistrate as there is a witness. Need to check with attorney about best practices and what other municipalities are doing. Planner has sample ordinance language. Decision needs to be made on what will be allowed.

Next meeting 1/23/18 at 1:00 PM.

Meeting adjourned: 3:00 PM

1/11/18 laws