



Greater Bemidji Area Joint Planning Board

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Bemidji Township

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What's going on?

Planning Cases for April / May

City of Bemidji – PUD-16-80.00469.04: B & B Cottages, LLC is requesting a Concept PUD for 42 residential condominium units. The parcel is located at 30th St NW in the R6 Multiple Family District of the City of Bemidji.



Bemidji Township – IUP/V-16-03.00819.00, 03.00819.01, 03.00820.00: Jessica Budrow is requesting an Interim Use Permit and Variance to relocate her pet grooming and boarding business, Canine Divine. The parcel is located at 102 Lake Ave NW in the B1 Low Density Commercial District of Bemidji Township of Bemidji.



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Northern Township – IUP/Z-16-31.00184.01: Mark Sand & Gravel Co., is requesting an Interim Use Permit for temporary mining of aggregate resources, a temporary hot mix plant, and a rezone of their parcel to B1 Low Density Commercial in order to be near local highway construction projects. The parcel is located at 9255 Irvine Ave NW in the R6 Multiple Family District of Northern Township of Bemidji.

Northern Township – V-16-31.01530.00: Anthony Schouten is requesting a Variance to add an attached garage, detached garage, deck, and new front entry to his primary residence. The parcel is substandard in size and the front yard setback will be encroached into. The parcel is located at 1120 Wintergreen Ln NE in the R2 Suburban Residential District of Northern Township of Bemidji.

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City of Bemidji – V-16-80.03039.00:
McDonald's Restaurant is requesting a Variance for reduced green space in order to improve the site. The parcel is located at 1245 Paul Bunyan Dr NW in the B2 General Commercial District of the City of Bemidji.



Planning Report

Legal

Bemidji Township - No new information to provide.

Red Barn - No new information to provide.

Comprehensive Plan

We are working with Houston Engineering and they signed the agreements after we were notified of the grant award. So they are going to be looking for dates for our first meeting.

Grant Awarded!

We were awarded a \$15,000 grant from NWMF. We are excited. Because of Dustin's leaving this will be a perfect opportunity to rely more heavily on the consultants.

Staff Changes

Dustin has taken a job in Oregon. So we are currently looking for replacements to his position.

Development Projects

Gold Pine Residential / Daycare
South Shore - Apartments/Condos
Whiting Road Suidivision
Airport Hangars/Snow storage building
Cottage Park Apartments
Beltrami County Transfer Station
Rako Street Multi Family
Cedar Pointe Multi Family
Center City Housing Multi Family
University Heights
Candlewood Hotel
School Craft new location
McDonalds
Taco Bell
Kohls
South Shore – Pace Project – Apartments
South Shore – Icon Project – Condos

Site Analyst Report

February was a month full of site reviews as everyone is getting ready for the building season and new rental reviews coming in.

Verizon wireless added new equipment to their new tower at 1st Street and Lincoln Street. Because of its close location to a wetland staff was on site to ensure that protection protocols were in place and followed.



Verizon Wireless

Cedar Pointe got its first site review to check setbacks and ensure that the plans are being followed. At that time the temporary security/job site lights were discussed with them. The position of the lights when they were placed was tilted up and towards the street. Ottetail Power was contacted and the lights were repositioned to be pointed downward.

Other Site reviews included a Bluff verification on Lake Bemidji, and a new home being built close to a wetland on Robin Lane SW. With the annexation process staff has also seen an influx of rental reviews some of which needed on site reviews to verify enough parking is provided.



Bluff Verification

Enforcement was also prevalent this month with a prohibited fence being built in the ROW to block snowmobiles. The land owners were sent a letter and parts of the fence that were not froze into the ground where removed, hopefully the rest of this fence will be removed soon.



Snowmobile Trail

And one complaint for parking on the grass was received pertaining to Beltrami Avenue between 26th Street NW and 29th Street NW. Staff continues to monitor this area in an effort to improve this situation.