

**TOWN OF LA POINTE
Town Plan Commission
Special Monthly Meeting Minutes**

MONDAY AUGUST 12TH, 2019

Members Present: Suellen Soucek, Chair; Mike Starck, Vice Chair; Jim Peters; Paul Wilharm and Samantha Follis.

Staff Present: Ric Gillman ZA

Public Present: Ellie Lahm, Korey Schroder and John Soucek

I. Call to Order/Roll Call

Chair Soucek Calls to order at 6:21PM. Roll call reflects members in attendance identified above.

**II. Review of Public Hearing and vote to recommend approval of: Conditional Use Permit
By the Town of La Pointe for the installation of a cell tower adjacent to the existing cell tower
@ 412 Big Bay Road Parcel # 014-00187-0701 Legal: PART OF NW ¼ NW ¼ DESC VOL 452
PGS 755, 757, 759 AND 761 SEC. 29 T50N R3W 3.43**

Chair opens the floor for discussion:

Mike Starck motions to recommend the town not leasing the land out for a tower until after the Red Cliff Tower is up and running and we see what the results are. Peters seconds. Discussion.

Considerable discussion on coverage areas as presented by ATT Power Point projection. Further the location was in question, height in question.

Starck justifies motion by stating “if we approve it this way, we are stuck with them going forward with that. If say we wait until the Red Cliff Tower and see what that is then they haven’t spent the resources, they haven’t spent the money and then we can develop what is needed rather than spending money on something that doesn’t make that much difference anyway. They are not going to do it twice, they are not going to do this one and another one.”

Wilharm clarifies this proposed tower is a booster for the Red Cliff tower and equates to wireless boosters.

Further discussion of concerns related to cellular coverage on the North End of the Island.

Starck states other locations are available on the North End including Nelson Construction gravel pit.

Soucek calls the question.

ZA reads the motion.

Voice vote:

- Wilharm, Naye
- Starck, Aye
- Peters, Aye
- Follis, Aye
- Soucek, No vote, undecided, abstains

Wilharm motions to encourage them to do research for a 140’ tower at this location. Soucek seconds, 5 ayes, motion carries.

III. Future Agenda Items

None noted

IV. Next Scheduled Meeting

Wednesday, September 4th, 2019 at 4:30PM

Chair Soucek adjourns at 6:35PM

Respectfully submitted on 8/21/19 by Ric Gillman, ZA Approved on 8/21/19