

**Town of La Pointe
Comprehensive Plan Steering Committee
Thursday March 30, 2023
4 pm at Town Hall/Zoom
Minutes**

Members present: Alex Nelson (Chair), Charley Brummer, Michael Collins and Dan Bartholomay (arrived at 4:10pm)
Members absent: Jane Vogt, Sarah Caruso and Sally North
Staff present: Michael Kuchta, Town Administrator

1. Call to Order/Roll Call

Meeting called to order by Alex Nelson.

2. Public Comment #1

None

3. Minutes to be considered for approval:

A. March 23, 2023

Motion by Charley to approve minutes, seconded by Dan, all ayes. Motion carried.

4. Public Hearing Update

A. When can we have a date?

Michael K estimated late April, early May but still depends on when the draft can be completed. He will convey this information to the Town Plan Commission.

5. Community Roundtable discussion

Lengthy discussion on research and documents provided by Dan and Jane. Some ideas discussed were the importance of how this group is created and administered, how and who will facilitate, and how to assign tasks.

6. Community Coordinator discussion

Consensus that a position of this sort will be beneficial in the future but to not recommend anything specific, figuring the details may be a byproduct of the island roundtable.

7. Draft work discussion

- Michael K stated he had completed the drafts for most topics. We are still waiting for information from Northland on a few topics and from affordable housing committee to sign off on Jane's draft.
- Discussion on how to add fluctuating lake levels and erosion to the plan. Challenge is that this primarily affects private property, though there might be possibilities for collaborative action or economies of scale. Consensus this might be a subject for the roundtable.

- Individual topics discussed included; incubator for commercial-orientated business development, short-term rentals (Michael K will e-mail a recap of the TPC public hearing on the short-term rental ordinance changes to committee members), mentoring and succession planning, dialogue between Town and tribes, role of museum and MIHPA in preserving and promoting island's heritage and historical places, thriving artists, access to the island, alcohol-free community gathering opportunities, and community center.

8. Public Comment #2

None

9. Set next meeting and agenda

Next meeting scheduled for 4/13/23 at 4 pm

Agenda – roundtable, draft topics, short-term rentals

10. Adjourn

Motion by Dan to adjourn, seconded by Michael C, all ayes. Motion Carried.

Minutes taken from recording and submitted by Dorgene Goetsch, Clerical Assistant

Minutes approved as presented 4/13/23. D. Goetsch, Clerical Assistant