

Town of Oakland
Plan Commission Meeting
Tuesday February 12, 2024

Members Present: Sandee Pease, Stanley Dzikonski, and Mary Brill.

Absent: Sandy Waletzko, Brian Conley

Visitors: Tom and Sue Riedel, Jay Hunger

The meeting was called to order at 2:30 by SD. The meeting was posted and a quorum was present making the meeting legal. Minutes of the meeting on January 8, 2024 were reviewed. Motion to accept minutes by MB seconded by SP and passed on a voice vote.

There was no correspondence to discuss.

Old Business:

There was no old business on the agenda.

New Business

Proposed wake ordinance: A meeting will be held February 13, 2024 from 5:30 to 7:00 at the Oakland Town Hall before the monthly board meeting for public discussion on the ordinance.

BC will be the master of ceremony, Tom and Sue Riedel will give a ½ hour slide show presentation and MB will cover material not covered by the Riedels. MB explained that after the board approves the ordinance it goes to the DNR. She suggested that the Oakland Town Board vote on the ordinance at the March board meeting. SP suggested a sign in sheet for those who attend.

There were a couple of calls in response to the letters that were sent to the Town of Oakland residents regarding the ordinance. The question was brought up on how this would be enforced or monitored. How would we know if there were enhanced wakes being created on the lake? MB said the DNR has jurisdiction over the lakes in Wisconsin. The town would send the warning or forfeiture notice depending on what penalty is determined to the boat person creating the waves. It could be monitored by residents who reported damage or safety issues from enhanced wakes. Jay Hunger, from the town of Summit, suggested that the information could be collected by the inspectors at the landings in his township. Oakland does not have boat landing inspectors.

MB is putting a condition report together for the DNR to explain why the ordinance is critical to preserve our lakes.

The next meeting of the Planning Commission will be March 11 at 2:30.

Motion to adjourn was made by MB and seconded by SP. It passed by a voice vote.

Minutes by SP