

**NEW YORK MILLS ZONING COMMITTEE  
PUBLIC HEARING  
MAY 8, 2014  
1:30 p.m.**

**CALL TO ORDER AND DETERMINATION OF A QUORUM**

The public hearing of the New York Mills Zoning Committee was called to order at 1:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers of the City Hall Building at 28 Centennial 84 Dr., New York Mills, Minnesota, all members of the Zoning Committee having been notified of the Public Hearing and the business to be transacted.

Members Present: D. Wallgren, J. Lee, T. Johnson, J. Schik, G. Imsande

Members Absent: K. Peltier, M. Parta

Staff Present: D. Berry, C. Kopveiler, D. Delaney

Guests Present: None

**Call to Order** The Public Hearing was called to order at 1:30 p.m. A quorum was present. Chairperson D. Wallgren explained the procedure to be followed, noting that everyone shall be given an opportunity to participate.

Chairperson D. Wallgren noted that the purpose of the Public Hearing was to discuss the rezoning of six lots, specifically Lots 10, 11, 12, 13, 14 and 15 of Block One, Blower's First Addition, Section 8, Township 135, Range 37 of Otter Tail County. Wallgren noted that letters were sent out to all homeowners within a 350' radius of these parcels notifying them of the intent and informing them of the time and location of the Public Hearing. These parcels are currently zoned Residential B (RB). Because the longstanding use of these parcels has been of a commercial nature, the Zoning Committee feels it would be appropriate to correct this classification by changing it to Commercial. One of the parcels is a parking lot for Farmers & Merchants State Bank (with the adjacent parking lot and building owned by F&M Bank being zoned Commercial), two are parking lots for Lund Boat Company and the other three contain a business which is currently an apartment in back and professional office in the front. The Zoning Committee also feels that this change was overlooked when the official zoning map was put together with the new zoning ordinance in 2008. This change will help to make Farmers & Merchants State Bank's parcels consistent with each other and also help the owner of the retail office space to comply with zoning regulations without requiring a conditional use permit, and keep the use as it has been intended since the building was constructed. Chairperson D. Wallgren provided two maps showing the zoning classification and an aerial view of the parcels for clarification.

There were no guests in attendance at the Public Hearing. Chairperson D. Wallgren asked if any written or verbal concerns had been received in the City Office prior to the Public Hearing. Clerk Berry noted that one resident asked why the lots were being rezoned and upon hearing the explanation, had no objections. No other calls or inquiries were received. After hearing no further comments or questions she closed the Public Hearing at 1:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by,

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