The Cascade Planning & Zoning Commission met on Thursday, October 24, 2019, at 6:00 p.m. in the Cascade City Hall Council Chambers, 320 1st Ave W, Cascade, IA 52033. Present for the meeting and answering roll were: Conlin, Steffen, Moran, Otting and Moriarity. Kerper was absent.

A motion was made by Steffen, which was seconded by Otting to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Steffen, which was seconded by Moran to approve the meeting minutes from September 19, 2019. Motion carried unanimously.

Due to Morgan Sauser not renewing his term, there was a vacant position on the board. The Commission received four letters of interest for the vacant position. The Commission also wants to thank each person who was interested in a position and to keep applying for vacant positions. After reviewing the four letters of interest, motion by Steffen, second by Otting to appoint Todd Hosch to the board. Motion passes, with 2 members abstaining due to relationship with the appointment. This will go before City Council for formal approval at the October 28th meeting.

The Commission then reviewed a section of the zoning code, Chapter 165.12(4) that the City Attorney’s believe would be better to be removed. This Code section allows two principal use structures to be constructed on the same lot. The two structures would need to meet the required setbacks. It was the consensus of the board that we shouldn’t restrict the use of people’s property as long as what they want to construct meets the setbacks. For an example, if someone wanted to construct a guest house on their property this would be allowed as long as setbacks are met. Motion by Conlin, second by Otting to leave the Code as it is. Motion carried unanimously.

With no other business, a motion was made by Otting, which was seconded by Steffen, to adjourn at 6:22 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

Deanna McCusker
City Administrator