

**BURT TOWNSHIP
PLANNING COMMISSION
PUBLIC HEARING MINUTES
January 8, 2018**

The Public Hearing of the Burt Township Planning Commission was called to order by Chair Chris Kindsvatter on January 8, 2018, at 6:45 pm at the Burt Township Hall, 7029 Birchwood Road, Cheboygan, Michigan 49721 to accept comments on the proposed changes to the Burt Township Zoning Ordinance Article VI General Provisions pertaining to the Natural Vegetation Strip.

ATTENDANCE: Chris Kindsvatter, Paul Janness, Matt Landon, Jay Jontz, Eugene Hodulik
Absent: None
Also Attending: John Iacoangeli, Allen Kozlowski, Katie Parker, Tim MacArthur, Harold Koviak,,Jim Larson

John Iacoangeli of Beckett & Raeder said he worked on the amendment to the ordinance, adding the waiver option if an individual is unable to comply with the required vegetation strip due to the topography of the property and , also, removed the wording in 4 a) “and maintained.”

Jim Larson asked how long is reasonable for a review if a waiver is requested. Mr. Iaconangeli said one to two weeks for a review is good. He suggested adding in item c) “within 90 days of issuance of a permit” to request the exemption.

MacArthur said that would necessitate of change in d) to add “Within 90 days of issuing a zoning permit”.

Jim Larson noted that g) should include: from the “existing” natural vegetation strip.

Matt Landon suggested that greenbelts be required for new houses only – not renovations.

Public Comments: None

Public Hearing closed at 6:58

Respectfully submitted,

Donna McDougall, Clerk/Recording Secretary