Webber Township Planning Commission
Public Hearing of 08-23-2026

Jacqueline called the meeting to order at 1:00 PM.

Jacqueline led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll call: Virginia Hammer present, Kevin Newell present, Kathy Rose present, Jacqueline Jacobs present and Elizabeth Burrows absent.

Kathy made a motion to approve the agenda while Kevin supported. All in favor, motion carries. 4 yes 1 absent.

Jacqueline stated the purpose of the public hearing was to decide the zoning request of three parcels at US-10 and Forman Rd. The owner has an interested buyer if it could be changed from Residential to Commercial.

Kevin made a motion to open the public hearing supported by Virginia. All in favor, motion carries. 4 yes 1 absent. The time was 1:03 PM.

Jonah introduced himself and his wife. He said he has lived in Webber for 20 years and has 3 kids graduating from Baldwin. He currently is a licensed contractor but has done handyman work in the past. He would like to resolve this issue from the switching from Commercial to Residential so that he can sell this property. He has spent thousands cleaning the property up. The people that want to purchase the property will finish and restore the property. The house on the property will be turned into an office for their business.

Kevin asked about the 3 wall building. Jonah responded that it was never condemned but it's structurally sound and the new owners could repair it if they wish. Jonah mentioned that they might change their mind and knock it down. Jonah stated the property has an electric pole and all required permits will be pulled.

Kevin made a motion to close the public hearing supported by Virginia. All in favor, motion carries. 4 yes, 1 absent. The time was 1:09 PM

Jacqueline stated Planning members should have numerous sets of minutes from 2007 and 2008 that Nikki provided that referenced zoning issues. Jacqueline stated nothing was found at the courthouse with the name or property numbers. Jacquline expressed her opinion that it's not relevant since it was so long ago. She also stated that the corner is having a lot of Commercial type things happening.

Kathy stated she wanted to make sure that house couldn't be rented out or lived in. She stated that the Commercial area was all around them. Kevin said on the other side of the highway was Commercial but that was not Webber Township. He mentioned houses next door to this property are Residential and a logging company would cause a commotion. Discussion occurred regarding the businesses across the street from this property and residents that lived in the area. Jonah stated that the possible new owners are not a logging company but a tree service and that they would pull in directly into the driveway from US10. Discussion was had regarding the lack of public input at this meeting. Jonah stated if he received a letter about a zoning district change and he didn't want it then he would come voice his opinion. Jacqueline stated that letters went out to neighbors the day after a date was set and the notice of this meeting was posted on the door way in advance as well as the newspaper article. A member of the public spoke about concerns regarding traffic stating the numerous cars coming onto US10 from Dollar General and High in the pines. It was also mentioned about a semi last week slamming on the brakes at that corner not knowing where he was turning. She stated her husband used to work for Trees and was concerned about hauling the chippers and trucks onto US10. Kathy said that Webber Township is growing and how it's not like it was 35 years ago with no one around. The area is developing and if a business goes there then at least it would be taxed.

Jacquline made a motion to approve the change from Residential to Commercial for these 3 property numbers, 11-036--012-01, 11-036-011-00 and 11-036-010-50 supported by Virginia.
Roll call vote: Kevin yes, Kathy yes, Virginia yes Jacqueline yes Elizibeth absent
Motion carries. 4 yes 1 absent.

Virginia made a motion to adjourn, supported by Kathy. All in favor, motion carries. 4 yes 1 absent.

Respectfully submitted
Jacqueline Jacobs