

could be implemented. The Temporary Sign permits were intended for Community Events not for Business Advertising.

Hansen adds that the Temporary Sign Ordinance has been effective; eliminating the littering of signs however, he does understand their point.

Wilkening asked Wannarka if she thought the Digital Sign wasn't effective.

Wannarka stated that with the amount of events going on in the summer season someone would have to drive by the Digital Sign seven times in order to catch everything.

Bieloh-There are a lot of events going on in the Walker area that benefit the entire community, it would be a shame to see these events go unnoticed.

McMurrin suggested increasing the number of times per year; adding that she would not like to see it 52 times a year but agrees with increasing the number.

Wilkening stated that an Ordinance change would need to happen and clarifies with Bjorklund that the time frame is just around 90 days noting the current transition with Municode may delay the processing time.

Hansen recommends that they figure out how many events and the types of events, adding if they are to make an Ordinance change effective they can customize it the first time eliminating future language changes with the same Ordinance.

Wannarka agrees to collect the data needed and return the information to City staff.

Bjorklund clarifies that this would not be implemented until the fall season.

7. Discussion on Verizon Small cell antenna request-discussion on development of an ordinance regulating requests.

Steve Fester from SSC on behalf of Verizon explains that DAS cells are relatively new. They are intended to 'fill the gaps' for the increase in demand of data usage. If there is a lot of people gathered in one area all using their smart phones the demand is higher, installing the DAS cells would take the load or stress of data-demand off of the tower.

Wilkening questions how Verizon chose the Park as a location to install a tower.

Fester explains that Verizon gathers their data from a RF radio frequency enabling the ability to see what areas have sudden increases in demand for data. He noted that by the Chase on the Lake is another area where there is an increased demand for data.

Fester added that there is no ground based equipment for their small cell antennas; all that is needed is power and fiber.

Bjorklund asked Steve if he could clarify the difference between Small Cell, Monopoles and DAS antennas. Fester explained that typically DAS cells are installed in large office buildings or schools, Small Cells are usually installed on existing poles and monopoles are a single pole structure. Bjorklund questioned if Fester envisioned the use or need of Small Cell antennas 15 to 20 years from now. Fester believed that it would be; he adds that creating Ordinances for Small Cell eliminates any confusion.

Moore questioned how many Small Cells would go on each pole. Fester explained that usually only one per light pole would be installed any more than that would interfere with the structural integrity. Fester adds that Highway 371/Minnesota Avenue would not be considered as possible placement on the poles because MNDOT would not be allowing any Small Cells in DOT right of way until MNDOT had a policy in place. Fester mentions working with Minnesota Power and possibly being able to use some of their poles.

Bjorklund questioned Fester what was preferred as a structure to hold the Small Cells, wood or metal? Fester stated that wood is preferred, with metal-pole structures the base of the pole would need to be replaced for it to be structurally sound. He notes that Verizon is not looking into this project until next year. Bjorklund question the preferred height, Fester stated that 30 feet to 35 feet is preferred. Bjorklund requested a copy of the Lease agreement that Verizon has with Pequot Lakes School. Fester agreed to get that to her.

Wilkening requests that Bjorklund and staff gather as much information as possible regarding drafting an Ordinance implementing Small Cell Antenna regulations.

8. Review Draft Comprehensive Plan.

Ben Oleson reviews the Draft with the Board. The following are changes and clarifications made in Draft of the Walker Comprehensive Plan:

- Page '3' 1[¶] -The Walker Comprehensive Plan- the board agrees that is what this will be titled.
- Page '3' 4[¶] -Remove 'Great Recession of 2008 and 2009' add language that notes the lack of increase to the area, possibly related to the closure of multiple resorts.
- Page '8' paragraph under FINANCIAL HEALTH-EXPENDITURES, omit ambulance as an expenditure since the City no longer owns the Ambulance Service and possibly add it as an financial health income because of the building that the Ambulance rents is a City owned building creating rental income. Omit Fire, the Fire Department has now formed into Walker Area Joint Fire Department, the City along with several other surrounding townships and Cass County.
- Page '12' 1[¶] number 2 -leave this; speaking of the character of the community and work towards creating an Ordinance to better define 'character'.
- Page '13' 4th bullet point-Omit the entire point about the removal of vegetation along the outside of the athletic field.
- Page '18' number 8-omit the language and add language that insures that there is adequate City owned parking available.
- Page '19' 2nd bullet point-omit, electronic sign already accomplished.
- Page '20' 2nd bullet point under CHALLENGES-it would make sense to have a goal or guide on how to fix this. To have better accessibility or sidewalks. To have a better connection to the downtown business district. Also noted that to make better use of an area propose that several business making use out of one lot/building.
- Page '23' 1st bullet point-Continue to complete fishing pier at City Dock. 5th and 6th bullet point from the bottom-Establish summer/winter skate park.
- Identify and pursue: to add the need for installation of public restrooms.
- Page 27 & 28-PENDING IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS- Wilkening didn't not think this drew any conclusion. He would prefer the point to ' jump off the page' to the reader.
- Page '32' number 1- OPPORTUNITIES FOR INCREASED COOPERATION- possibly speak more of working with Cass County and Shingobee regarding zoning approach within two miles of the City. Number 4-omit Fire.

9. Wilkening adjourned meeting at 8:17 p.m.