CITY OF ISANTI PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING TUESDAY, August 18, 2020

1. Meeting Opening

- A. Call to Order: Chair Johnson called the meeting to order at 7:29 p.m.
- B. Pledge of Allegiance
- C. Roll Call: Members present: Jeff Johnson, Dan Collison, Steve Lundeen, Jimmy Gordan, Paul Bergley, Arissya Simon.

Members Absent: Alexander Collins

Staff present: Community Development Director Sheila Sellman, Community

Development Specialist Ryan Saltis

D. Agenda Modifications: None

2. Meeting Minutes

A. Approval of Minutes from July 21, 2020 Planning Commission Meeting motion by Collison, second by Lundeen motion passes 6-0.

3. Public Hearing

- A. Request from Scott Zimprich for a garage to exceed 580 square feet and to be larger than the house at 201 Broadway. Sellman explained the variance request in which the applicant proposes to construct a larger detached garage than the allowable square footage based on the lot size and would exceed the size of the principal structure on the lot. The applicant has started to pour a concrete slab for the detached garage without approval of the building permit application and a stop work order was issued to the homeowner. The applicant, Scott Zimprich was present at the meeting and available for questions. There was one person, Luke Merrill, present from the public to speak at the public hearing. Luke explained that the homeowner does not currently have a garage on his property, and by allowing the variance, it would increase the property values of neighboring homes as well. The Planning Commission discussed whether a variance should be granted due to the applicant starting the project without City approval, and if the Planning Commission would have to grant all similar applications in the future. Motion for denial of the variance request by Johnson, 2nd by Collison, motion passed 4-2.
- **4. Other Business:** None
- **5. Discussion Item:** None
- **6. Adjournment:** Motion by Bergley, 2nd by Collison to adjourn, motion passed 6-0 meeting adjourned at 8:02 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Ryan Saltis, Community Development Specialist