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Mr. M.E. Johnson

I received your notice around Nov. 1. This was the first I had ever heard about it. I am 83 and do not use a computer so this seems like the easiest way to respond. Know I don't have to!

With today's daily papers & the TV's news, it's not very comforting knowing strangers are renting the "place next door". Such a small piece of land to hold so many buildings. The renters must be able to understand the whole area is not included with their cabin - we keep our docks & parking areas separate. I prefer not to entertain visitors. Their dock is front of their place, mine in front of mine. That's all I need to say. Thanks much,

Diane Jackson Boggs

Hope this gets to you on time - didn't have much time to think about things.

TOWN OF FRENCH SITE REVIEW COMMITTEE REPORT TO THE ST. LOUIS COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION

November 2, 2022

The Town of French Site-Review Committee met at the French Towns Hall on Tuesday November 2, 2022 at 6:00 PM to review and receive a briefing regarding the Conditional Use Permit Application by Allan Reini located at 12882 North Bay Trail.

Committee: Bruce Sandberg-Town Board Chairman
Alyssa Jerulle– Town Board Supervisor
Jeff Schanche – Town Clerk
Lisa Samsa – Township Treasurer
Bob Bjur – Site Review Committee Member
Talia Sandys – Deputy Clerk
Applicant – Allan & Becky Reini
Members of the public: None

Board Chairman Bruce Sandberg gave a brief description of the Site Review Committee, the Township Land Use Plan, the proposed agenda and format for the meeting. He also read portions of the St. Louis County Planning Commission Staff Report, dated 10-21-22 .

1. The Applicants explained their application
2. The property is registered on the VRBO list
3. The Committee did not visit the site because all members are very familiar with the property

The Committee agreed with the “Recommended Conditions If Approved” portion of the County Staff Report, including:

1. All other short term rental standards shall be met.
2. St. Louis County Onsite Wastewater SSTS standards shall be followed.
3. All other local, state, and federal standards shall be met.
4. Permitted short term rental use shall not be transferrable upon change in ownership.

The Committee first provided answers to the five questions listed in the Planning Commission Criteria for Approval of a Conditional Use Permit.

1. Does the use conform to the land use Plan?
YES
2. Is the use compatible with the existing neighborhood?
YES
3. Will the use impede the normal and orderly development and improvement of the surrounding area? **NO**

4. Is the location and character of the proposed use considered consistent with a desirable pattern of development?

YES

5. What, if any, other factors should be taken into consideration on this case?

A majority of the properties in the immediate area are zoned residential which may include other short-term rentals. The short-term rental use benefits the County and local Townships with supplying additional lodging options for tourists and residents. Short term rentals also adds to the County lodging tax base.

A vote was taken and the Town Board approved a motion by Supervisor Jerulle, seconded by Committee member Samsa to support this Conditional Use Permit Application, if it meets the Recommended Conditions outlined in the Staff Report, dated 10-21-22 . The motion was passed unanimously.