MINUTES OF THE PUBLIC HEARING OF THE PLANNING COMMISSION HELD TUESDAY, JULY 14, 2020 AT 3:30 P.M. IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, CITY HALL, MACKINAC ISLAND, **MICHIGAN**

Chairman Straus called the Public Hearing of the Mackinac Island Planning Commission to order at 3:30 p.m.

PRESENT: Michael Straus, Lee Finkel (Zoom), Trish Martin (Zoom), Anneke Myers (Zoom), Mary Dufina

(Zoom), Jim Pettit, Ben Mosley

ABSENT: None

STAFF: Zoning Administrator, Dennis Dombroski, Attorney, Tom Evashevski

Purpose of the Public Hearing

The purpose of the Public Hearing is to discuss an amendment to Zoning Ordinance 479 in regards to tasting rooms.

Evashevski summarized the amendment as a definition of a Tasting Room and the regulations in regards to Tasting Rooms. The City Council wanted some control over tasting rooms. The Council is not against tasting rooms, but does not want the downtown to become overrun with tasting rooms. This amendment gives the Council that control. Finkel pointed out that the total length of Main Street is approximately 2000'. So the 1000' guideline would possibly only allow 1 more tasting room. Establishments with a full liquor license could also open a tasting room.

Straus opened the floor up to public comment. There was no public comment.

Dufina requested that wording be added to Section 2, #3 clarifying that only the liquor produced by that company, may be sold in the tasting room. Evashevski stated that is one of the requirements of the tasting room license, but yes, we can recommend any wording changes to City Council.

There was discussion on the 50% retail requirement.

PUBLIC COMMENT

With no further business there was a Motion by Mosley, second by Finkel to adjourn the meeting. The meeting was adjourned at 3:48 p.m.

Michael Straus, Chairman

Katie Pereny, Secretary