



**NEW BUSINESS – ORDINANCE AMENDMENT DISCUSSION**

**Subject: Ordinance Amendment Discussion – Water Oriented Accessory Structures**

**Agenda Item: 5.2**

Planning Commission Member Larson suggested reviewing our ordinance and those of the County and neighboring communities. The following text is from the City of Fifty Lakes. Crow Wing County’s ordinance is similar.

f) Water Oriented Accessory Structures. One water oriented accessory structure not meeting the structure setbacks in Table 8.02.01 of this ordinance may be placed with a permit on a riparian residential lot provided the following standards are met:

1. The structure or facility must not exceed 12 feet in height and cannot occupy an area greater than 120 square feet.
2. The setback of the structure or facility from the ordinary high water level must be at least 20 feet.
3. The structure must be treated to reduce visibility as viewed from public waters and adjacent shorelands by vegetation, topography, increased setbacks, color, or other means acceptable to the Zoning Administrator, assuming summer, leaf-on conditions.
4. Construction complies with all standards in Section 8.03 of this ordinance.
5. The maximum impervious surface limits for the lot are not exceeded.
6. The structure shall not be located within a bluff impact zone.
7. The structure shall not be used for human habitation.
8. The structure shall not include bathroom facilities.

**Applicable Regulations:**

**Section 17-3.2. DEFINITIONS**

266. **Water Oriented Accessory Structure or Facility.** A small above ground building or other improvement, except stairways, fences, docks and retaining walls, which because of the relationship of its use to a surface water feature is located closer to public waters than the normal structure setback. Examples of such structures and facilities include boat houses, gazebos, screen houses, fish cleaning houses and detached decks.

**Section 17-5.17 LAND USE MATRIX**

A – allowed w/o a permit; P – permitted, C – conditional use; I – interim use; AC - accessory use, E – excluded.

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