

# CITY OF WHITEFISH

## LAKESHORE PROTECTION COMMITTEE

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**Date:** Wednesday, September 13, 2023

**Place:** City Council Conference Room

**Recorded By:** Nelson Loring

**Members Present:**

Toby Scott  
Nancy Schuber  
Roger Rowles  
Don Harring

**Members Absent:**

Vacant  
Daniel Wood  
Peggy Brammer

**Staff Present:**

Nelson Loring

**Public Present:**

1. CALL TO ORDER  
**Summary:** Toby Scott, called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm.
2. AGENDA CHANGES  
**Summary:** None.
3. APPROVAL OF August 9, 2023 MINUTES  
**Summary:** Members reviewed the minutes of August 9, 2023.

**ACTION:** Schuber made a motion to approve the minutes of August 9, 2023. Rowles seconded the motion. All were in favor and the motion passed unanimously.

4. GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT  
**Summary:**

5. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

**Summary:** None.

6. PUBLIC HEARINGS & ACTION

A. WLP 23-W27 Custer Gravel Application

**Summary:** The applicant is proposing to apply gravel totaling 13.5 cubic yards and replace a stair in the Lakeshore Protection Zone. Gravel will be 1093.5 square feet at a four-inch depth.

Nelson Loring summarized the staff report for members, noting a couple of key points:

- The gravel application is within the regulatory limit.
- The conditions in place for grave and stair replacement are standard and all regulations are being met by the application and will be reviewed after work is completed.

**Recommendation:** Staff is recommending approval of WLP 23-W27 with the 22 conditions listed in the report.

Members discussed the application with Nelson, clarifying the following items:

- Loring clarified that this was the first time a gravel application had been applied for.
- Loring clarified that the stairs are wood.

**ACTION:** Don made a motion to approve WLP 23-W27. Schuber seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.

The application will go before City Council on October 2.

B. WLP 23-W28 236 Jennings Lakeside Rd Cottonwood Removal

**Summary:** The applicant is proposing to remove one living cottonwood tree over eight (8) inches in diameter. The tree is impacting the home and foundation and has been determined by the applicant's arborist and the city arborist to meet the criteria for a dangerous tree.

Members discussed the application with Loring, clarifying the following items:

- The tree has been deemed dangerous to life or property by both the applicant's and the city's arborist.

**Recommendation:** Staff is recommending approval of WLP 23-W28 with the 10 conditions listed in the report.

**ACTION:** Rowles made a motion to approve WLP 23-W28. Scott seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.

8. STAFF COMMENTS / GOOD AND WELFARE

**Summary:** Draft updated lakeshore regulations are almost ready to present to the Lakeshore Protection Committee

9. COMMITTEE COMMENTS

**Summary:** None

10. ADJOURNMENT

**ACTION:** The meeting is adjourned at 6:36 pm.