

PLANNING & ZONING COMMISSION MEETING

March 19, 2026

The Cascade Planning & Zoning Commission met on March 19, 2026, at 6:00p.m. in the Cascade City Hall Council Chambers, 320 1st Ave W, Cascade, IA 52033.

Present: Moriarity, Steffen, Mehrl, Conlin, Walter, Kerper and Moran.

Motion by Steffen, second by Conlin to approve the agenda. Motion carried, all ayes.

Motion by Conlin, second Steffen to approve the September 4, 2025 meeting minutes. Motion carried, all ayes.

The Commission received an application for home occupation permit from Midwest Gun Doctors to do firearm sales, gun smithing and firearm accessory sales in his home at 109 Redwood Dr. SE. He will be using a basement garage for this business, which is entirely constructed from concrete. If this home occupation is approved, he will separate a section approximately 400 SF off from the rest of the basement. People will enter through a garage door in the basement garage by appointment only. Many gun selling is done in private homes in Iowa. But for him this is temporary until he finds the right brick & mortar spot. Insurance was also discussed. If his homeowner insurance will not insure this area then the 400SF will be blacked off his homeowner insurance and he will purchase a supplemental insurance policy just for this business. It was discussed that the fire department should be made aware of this business and the location in the home. The business owner will contact the fire chief to discuss and the commission is asking that he sign off stating he is aware of the home business.

Motion by Steffen, second by Conlin with the following conditions: this is approved for two years only, if no brick and mortar is found by then he needs to come back to the Planning & Zoning Commission for further review and consideration. He also needs to reach out to the fire chief so that the fire department is aware of this home-based business and the location in the house.

Motion by Steffen, second by Mehrl to adjourn at 6:18pm. Motion carried.

Deanna McCusker
City Administrator