

Lake Township, Huron County
Planning Commission Regular Meeting
Wednesday, September 23, 2020
Approved Minutes

(Due to Covid-19 and Gov. Whitmer's Executive Orders this meeting was held via teleconference)

The meeting was called to order at 7:01 PM. Planning Commission members in attendance were Jerry Pobanz, Nicole Collins, Bob Siver, and Maryanne Williams. Tim Lalley was absent. There were two guests.

Motion by Collins, second by Siver to approve the agenda with the addition of revisiting the election of officers under old business. Roll call: Siver, Pobanz, Collins and Williams. All ayes, motion carried.

Motion by Siver, second by Pobanz to approve the minutes of August 26, 2020. Roll call: Siver, Collins, Pobanz and Williams. All ayes, motion carried.

Correspondence: Building Inspector's Reports; Zoning Administrator's Report; Land Use Permit Report. Siver noticed that there was an increase in complaints regarding RV's on private property in relation to number and length of stay. Tory Geilhart joined the meeting to provide clarification. In his view, he has noticed an increase in the number of RV's but believes that this is due to a unique season caused by Covid-19 restrictions, school closings and low numbers of Covid-19 cases in Huron County. PC members discussed the need to address the RV issue regarding number allowed, length of stay, frequency, occupied/unoccupied lots, etc. It was decided to wait until next season (2021) to revisit the issue if need be.

Public Comment: None

Old Business

Election of Officers: Jerry Pobanz resigned as chair of the PC. Bob Siver, currently vice chair, will serve as de-facto chair until the full PC is together and able to revisit the election of officers. Motion by Williams, second by Collins to accept the resignation of Pobanz and to name Siver as de-facto chair. Roll call: Siver, Collins, Pobanz and Williams. All ayes, motion carried.

Draft Zoning Ordinance: September 18, 2020 and Public Hearing: Collins considers this version of the DZO to be fine. Williams went through the DZO and found that Mark Eidelson had taken care of all changes that were requested. Motion by Williams, second by Collins to schedule a public hearing regarding the DZO for Wednesday, October 28, 2020 at 7:00 PM prior to the PC's regular meeting. Roll call: Pobanz, Siver, Collins and Williams. All ayes, motion carried.

Master Plan: The MP discussion was tabled for the present time. Siver suggested it would be helpful if Mark Eidelson is asked to join the meeting when the topic is revisited. Motion by Williams, second by Pobanz to table the MP. Roll call: Collins, Siver, Pobanz and Williams. All ayes, motion carried.

New Business: None

Pending Items for Future Discussion

- Recreation Plan
- Short Term Rentals

Public Comment: None

There being no further business, motion by Siver, second by Collins to adjourn. Roll call: Siver, Collins, Pobanz and Williams. All ayes, Motion carried. Meeting was adjourned at 8:05 PM.

Reminders:

The next Board of Trustees meeting will be: Monday, October 19, 2020 at 7:30 PM.

The next Planning Commission meeting will be: Wednesday, December 9, 2020 at 7:00 PM. There will be no PC meeting held in November.

Minutes prepared by:

Maryanne Williams, Deputy Clerk