

**Lake Township, Huron County**  
**Planning Commission Regular Meeting**  
**Wednesday, April 28, 2021**

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 7:03 PM. Planning Commission members in attendance were Bob Siver, Tim Lalley, Nicole Collins, Jerry Pobanz and Maryanne Williams. There were seven guests.

Motion by Lalley, second by Collins to approve the agenda with addition: correction in Zoning Ordinance Sect. 20-11 (B). Roll call: Lalley, Collins, Siver, Pobanz and Williams. All ayes, motion carried.

Motion by Collins, second by Pobanz to approve the minutes of March 24, 2021. Roll call: Collins, Lalley, Pobanz, Siver and Williams. All ayes, motion carried.

**Correspondence:**

Letter from Susan Kohl re: Recreational Vehicles; Zoning Administrator's Report(s) for February and March 2021; Building Permit Report(s) for February and March 2021; MSU Hazardous Waste Collection Program for 2021.

**Old Business**

**Draft Zoning Ordinance-Solar:** Due to the non-response of a speaker to address the PC and the non-receipt of the Huron County draft zoning regarding Solar Energy, a motion was made by Lalley, second by Collins to table the Solar Energy discussion until the May meeting. Roll call: Siver, Lalley, Pobanz, Collins and Williams. All ayes, motion carried.

**New Business**

**Zoning Ordinance Correction:** Pobanz pointed out to the PC members that in Sect. 20-11: Setback Exceptions for Residential Living Areas (Patios, Decks, Porches, etc.), B. Standards, verbiage in need of correction "*but a minimum of fifteen (15) from the front lot line...*" The word feet is missing after fifteen and how does this get corrected? McCallum will check with Landplan Inc.

**Recreation Plan:** The PC members will review the current Recreation Plan that is in place and begin the update discussion at their May meeting. Motion by Lalley, second by Collins to begin Recreation Plan discussion in May. Roll call: Lalley, Pobanz, Siver, Collins and Williams. All ayes, motion carried.

**Public Comments:** The PC received a letter from Susan Kohl regarding the parking of a Recreational Vehicle by her neighbors, in their driveway, which restricted her view. She believes that the fourteen (14) day stays of Recreation Vehicles allowed by the Zoning Ordinance is excessive and would like the PC to reconsider the allowable. Pictures of her limited view were included. Patricia Mohritz, owner of the RV in question said that Tory Geilhart, Building and Zoning Administrator, was consulted and they were within the zoning regulation to park the RV in their driveway for a limited stay of fourteen (14) days. Ms. Mohritz further stated that the RV was being readied for summer use and having completed the

task, it has now been moved. A few residents commented that they are in favor of leaving the ordinance as written. Upon considering both sides of the issue, the PC members were all in agreement to leave the zoning ordinance unchanged.

**Items for Future Discussion:** None

**Adjourn:** There being no further business, motion by Pobanz, second by Collins to adjourn. Roll call: Siver, Lalley, Pobanz, Collins and Williams. All ayes, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:42 PM.

**Reminders:**

The next Board of Trustees meeting will be: Monday, May 17, 2021 at 7:30 PM.

The next Planning Commission meeting will be: Wednesday, May 26, 2021 at 7:00 PM.

Minutes prepared by:  
Maryanne Williams, Deputy Clerk