

August 30, 2017

Huron County Planning Commission

A special meeting of the Huron County Planning Commission was held on August 30, 2017, in the Huron County meeting room, Room 305, County Building, Bad Axe, MI 48413.

1. Call Meeting to Order

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Bernie Creguer at 7:00 p.m. with the Pledge to the United States of America. Secretary Jeffery Krohn, called the roll of members: Roll call - Members present: Charles Bumhoffer, Bernie Creguer, Carl Duda, Jeffery Krohn, Robert McLean, Dr. Robert Oakes, and Ken Walker. Members absent/excused: Mary Babcock and Terry Heck Others present: There were approximately fifteen (15) people in attendance, including: Jeff Smith, Planning/Building & Zoning Office Director and Mickayla Bischer, Recording Secretary.

2. Public Comment (Open Meeting Act.)

Mark Green, City of Bad Axe, attending to observe master plan meeting. The city is also revising their master plan.

Jerome Hessling, Sherman Township Trustee, Sherman Township is creating a planning commission.

Daniel Volmering, Sherman Township, comments that wind energy ordinance needs to be revised.

3. Spicer Group review and update of Huron County Master Plan Workshop.

Alan Bean, Spicer Group, provided draft commercial scale Solar and Wind Energy Policy Statements.

Members discuss Wind Energy Policy Statements, the decommissioning process, and wind overlay district. Members agree to “Keep the Ones We Have” option and further discuss ordinance provisions.

Members discuss Solar Energy Policy Statements. A number of members including Dr. Oakes, Creguer, McLean, Duda, Bumhoffer and Commissioner Khoury agree with Option A. Members Krohn and Walker agree with Option C.

Members discuss and agree that Culture should be included in the mission statement, as it is very important to Huron County.

Smith questioned McLean’s comment regarding removing Sherman and Lincoln Townships from the Master Plan update. Smith comments at this time, Sherman and Lincoln Township should still be included in the County Master Plan. Bean and Smith will further discuss with Huron County Corporation Counsel, Steve Allen.

4. Adjournment

Being there was no further business to come before the Planning Commission, Member Dr. Robert Oakes made a motion, seconded by Robert McLean to adjourn meeting. Adjournment was at 9:14 p.m.

The next regular scheduled planning commission meeting will be held on September 6, 2017 at 7:00 p.m., in Room 305.

Bernie Creguer, Chairman

Jeffery Krohn, Secretary

Date: _____

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