

Lee Township Planning Commission  
Approved Public Hearing/Regular Meeting Minutes  
1485 W Olson Rd  
Midland, Mi. 48640  
January 18, 2023

- **Call to Order and attendance** All PC Commissioners present; Rick Payne, Mari Spraul, Chris Stephens, Geoff Gwisdala, and Debra Reiber.
- **Pledge of Allegiance**
- **Approval of the Agenda** Debra made a motion to Approve the Agenda. Geoff seconded it. Agenda approved.
- **January 4, 2022 Minutes approved with spelling correction**
- **Public Hearing** Mari made a motion to move into a Public Hearing, supported by Chris. Approved by Debra, Rick, Geoff, Chris, and Mari.
  - Kristen Julian discussed her request to have a special use permit
  - Zoning Administrator Russel Babcock presented his thoughts and recommendations
  - Public comments
    - Kristy Gustafson advised to check with Register of Deeds for prior special use permit
    - Kristy Gustafson objected to the public hearing due to noncompliance of timeliness of public posting
  - Recess at 7:12PM for Russ to research this claim. Reconvened at 7:16PM with clarification that the publication was not timely.
  - Public hearing adjourned due to the objection. Rick made a motion to adjourn, supported by Mari, all approved
  - Mari made a motion to re-enter the Regular Meeting, supported by Chris. Approved by Rick, Geoff, Chris, Mari, and Debra.
- **Discussion of ordinances**
  - Zoning Administrator presented previous ordinance proposals for further discussion in regards to the Economy Efficient Dwelling Special Use District, Dwelling Regulations Section 4.2a, and Addendums to the Special Use Permit Application Packet. Preparations will be made for a public hearing for the scheduled March 15<sup>th</sup> Regular Planning Commission meeting.

- **Planning Commission Member Appointments**
  - Mari made a motion to appoint Debra Reiber as Secretary, supported by Rick, all approved.
  - Geoff made a motion to appoint Rick Payne as Chairperson, supported by Mari, all approved.
  - Rick made a motion to appoint Chris Stephens as Vice Chairperson, supported by Mari, all approved.
  
- **Proposed dates for 2023 Planning Meetings**
  - Mari made a motion to approve the 2023 Regular Meeting dates, supported by Geoff, all approved. Schedule is as follows:  
                  March 15, April 19, May 17, June 21, July 19, August 16,  
                  September 20, October 18, November 15, December 20
  
- **Any other business**
  - Mari suggests reading and discussion of The Township Guide to Planning and Zoning. Rezoning is the topic to be discussed in the next Regular Meeting.
  
- **Public Comment**
  - Kristy Gustafson asked how the allowance of a 2nd dwelling on a parcel would affect the water district
  
- **Adjourn**
  - Rick made a motion to adjourn at 8:44PM, Geoff supported, all in favor.