

**RIVES TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING
8682 LANSING AVE FIRE STATION JACKSON MI 49201
January 22, 2024**

The Rives Township Planning Commission was called to order on Monday, January 22, 2024 at 6:30 pm.

Members present: Jim Lindstrom - Chairman, Christine Beecher - Ex-officio member from the Township Board, Janet Hayward - Secretary, Mark Stevenson - Member, Jon Hoffman - Member

Members Absent: None

AGENDA APPROVAL / ADDITIONS / DELETIONS

- Motion by Hoffman, Supported by Beecher to approve agenda of January 22, 2024 as presented.

Unanimously approved by voice vote

MINUTES APPROVAL

- Motion by Stevenson, Supported by Beecher to approve the Regular Meeting Minutes of December 18, 2023 as presented.

Unanimously approved by voice vote

REPORTS

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1. Continued Study of the Rives Ordinance Book.

TOWNSHIP BOARD

1. Election preparations going well.
2. Appointment of a Parks and Recreation Committee.

OTHER PC MEMBERS

1. None

NEW BUSINESS

1. Set 2024 Planning Commission Meeting Schedule
Motion by Lindstrom, supported by Hoffman to set the 2024 Planning Commission Meeting Schedule for the fourth Monday of each month, subject to change.

Unanimously approved by voice vote

2. Elect Planning Commission Officers
Motion by Stevenson, supported by Beecher to elect a Vice-Chairman

Unanimously approved by voice vote

Motion by Beecher, supported by Stevenson to elect Jim Lindstrom as Chairman of the PC.

Unanimously approved by voice vote

Motion by Hoffman, supported by Lindstrom to elect Mark Stevenson as Vice-Chairman of the PC.

Unanimously approved by voice vote

Motion by Beecher, supported by Hoffman to elect Janet Hayward as Secretary of the PC.

Unanimously approved by voice vote

3. Secretary submit 2023 PC Summary of meetings.
Motion by Lindstrom, supported by Stevenson to update the summary to include the December 18, 2023 minutes and state the October meeting was cancelled.

Unanimously approved by voice vote

4. Consider application for Conditional Use Permit for 11101 Cooper Rd. Pleasant Lake, MI 49272.
 - a. Presentation by Mr. Stuart Bridgewater with discussion.
 - b. Chairman explains the Public Hearing process.
5. Review Public Hearing comments, deliberate, and take action on proposed language of Solar Ordinance for Rives Township.
Motion by Beecher, supported by Hoffman to adopt the solar energy systems zoning ordinance amendment as reflected in the resolution.

***Roll Call: Beecher, Hoffman, Hayward, Stevenson, Lindstrom
5 Ayes, 0 Nays – Motion Carried***

PUBLIC COMMENT

1. **Vercilla Hart, resident**
 - a. Asks if battery storage was removed from the ordinance.
 - b. Asks if Master Plan amendment isn't approved by the township board, what are the next steps we can take.
 - c. Asks for past minutes with errors corrected to be posted on the website.
2. **Jobeth Carlton, resident**
 - a. Raises concerns with attorney edited draft ordinance.

Next Planning Commission Meeting will be held on Monday, February 26, 2024 at 6:30 pm.

Motion by Beecher, supported by Stevenson to adjourn the meeting at 7:58 p.m.

Unanimously approved by voice vote

Submitted by Janet Hayward, Rives Township Planning Commission Secretary