

MEETING OF THE RIVES TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION (PC)

REGULAR MEETING

HELD AT 8682 LANSING AVE, FIRE STATION

Current Date May 22, 2023

June 2 24 changes made JH

Meeting called to order at 6:30pm.

Members present:

Jim Lindstrom – Chairman, Christine Beecher – Ex-officio member from the Township Board (TB), Frank Adamczyk – Jan Hamilton member, Jon Hoffman.

Roll Call: Lindstrom Here; Beecher Here Jan Hamilton Not Present; Adamczyk Here; Hoffman Here.

4 Ayes 0 Nay - Motion Carried.

Members absent: All Present Note Jan came late for roll call but was present at meeting after Members reports

Motion by __Frank Adamczyk, _Supported by Jon Hoffman to approve agenda of May 22, 2023 as presented. All yeas Motion Carried

Motion by Jim L, supported by Christine Beecher Second by Jon Hoffman to approve the Regular Meeting

Minutes approval of minutes 4-24-2023 as "amended".

Christine Beecher noted that their name was spelled incorrectly and asked that that be fixed! Jim had a change in page 2 from write solar ordnance to Write Ordinance JH Corrected issues

4 Ayes 0 Nay - Motion Carried.

Chairman asked for reports:

Mr. Adamczyk

No meeting to report on

Ms. Beecher

— Township has had special meetings in reference to clerk. Township is closed until further notice

Some discussion on what that means for PC board (not going to get paid Board Discussed and decided to continue with meeting!

Mr. Hoffman

Nothing to report

Jim Lindstrom

Attended Leslie Township meeting the township was considering expanding there Solar Ordinance Chair has attended a meeting in TC on Solar and left meeting with the opinion that the State will take over solar ordinance from TWP's, based on the legislators statements that 60 % of power will need to come by Wind Solar, and other sources. With wind being almost expanded as much as feasible that means Solar must expand a lot

Also attended an online class Michigan Township Association Training for PC members from MTA on Zoning and decision making for PC boards

Jim at last meeting was asked to find unbiased company as month progresses decided not to hire some one because of TWP possibly closing.

Stacy Stoner

Discussed that the public announcement did not follow the American Disabilities Act by not announcing other Aids to review the announcement would be provided So this meeting is illegal.

Vercilla Hart

Discussed, the wording and dates were incorrect so the meeting should not be continued!

Alex Silvestri

Feels meeting should be postponed because of poor legal cancel and dates of notification not being correct.

Linda McMullin

Didn't feel the solar plan is written correctly and "copying" other plans was a bad idea Meeting should be postponed

Kyle Waller

Question on clip board sign up last meeting on was public comment and public response was later in meeting, wanted to clarify He should have signed up to speak. Jim approved him commenting now.

Commented about attorney commented that a public meeting was not needed! Jim reported that he said a second public hearing was not needed. Kyle questioned the dates for the 42 days was not meet and meeting should not proceed.

New Business

1st Public hearing on amendment to master plan on changing in wording of amendment Board reviewed the word change, Attorney recommendations The board also listened to public attending meeting. After much conversation and reviewing dates and timelines, the board agreed to start over with the whole process of public announcement and public meeting.

The board agreed to continue working on the Solar plan and try to add in the wording an acreage limit on how much land could be used for solar project within the TWP.

Motion to set June meeting to work through the solar plan document line by line. Using the guideline of 15 items that the solar plan should cover.

Next meeting June 26

Board

Will have amendment ready for July 24 Meeting

Motion to adjourn meeting 8:30 Jon Hoffman made motion to adjourn, Frank Adamczyk second.

Jim Meeting to adjourn.

Meeting notes Jon Hoffman

James Lundsten 8-28-24