

# MEETING OF RIVES TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION

## REGULAR MEETING

### HELD-VIA ZOOM MEETING

January 25, 2021

Meeting was called to order at 6:38 (delayed start due to technical problems with zoom)

Members present: Roger DeCamp – chairman, Dwight Carmer- vice-chairman, Jim Lindstrom-secretary, Adam Williams-member, Christine Beecher-ex-officio member from Township Board.

Written agenda was amended to read “moderator will recognize you by the chat sign in” and PA 228 was changed to PA 254. Mr. Carmer made motion to approve as amended, 2cd by Mr. Williams. All ayes

Chairman DeCamp followed the remote meeting requirements to record location of each of the members attending remote meeting.

Mr. Carmer made motion 2cd by Chairman DeCamp to approve minutes of December 21, 2020 regular PC meeting.

Chairman asked for reports. Mr. Carmer reported that no ZBA meeting had been necessary. Mrs. Beecher reported that the TB had not met since last PC meeting. Mr. Lindstrom submitted the 2020 Annual Report of the PC meetings for submission to the TB. It will be posted on the Township website. No other reports were made.

#### BUSINESS:

1. New PC officers elected for 2021: chairman- Roger DeCamp, vice-chairman- Dwight Carmer, secretary- Jim Lindstrom.
2. Establish 2021 meeting dates- meeting dates subject to change or cancellation were established and are posted on the Township website.
3. PC goals for 2021- After discussion the following goals were established for 2021 a) Continue zoning map review of neglected and discontinued zoning, b) Update Zoning Chapter 17 for correction of dates and State of Michigan preemptions, c) proceed to complete Solar Ordinance, d) conduct annual status review of open CUP's, e) have joint workshop with TB/PC to foster communication.
4. Industrial District Draft – Chairman DeCamp led lengthy review of proposed Ordinance No. 2021-1 Amendment to Chapter 17, Rives Township Code of Ordinances, the Rives Township Zoning Ordinance. Motion was made by Mr. Lindstrom, 2cd by Mrs. Beecher to “delete the word “industrial” from line 2 of section 17.85(B) (13), planned-unit development”. All ayes, motion carried. After discussion PC member agreed to leave definition of “junk yard” in the Code of Ordinances. Motion was made by Mr. Lindstrom 2cd by Mr. Williams to “delete the list of additional required standards for findings and making a determination for approval of airports stated in Section 17.85 (B) (2)”. All ayes, motion carried.

5. Discuss public hearing – discussion began among members. Shortly thereafter we were informed that public members were unable to maintain contact with zoom meeting and that an OMA violation was being caused. The continuation of item 5 was tabled until the next regular PC. This was by unanimous motion of consent.

Because some public members were still connected to zoom meeting

Public comment was accepted at 8:55 pm

1. Bryce Hammond (resident) stated that an OMA violation had occurred.
2. Donna Domm (resident) stated that she was glad continuing meeting was tabled
3. Megan Short (non-resident) suggested that clean copy of the Ordinance 2021 -1 be put on Township website.
4. Lisa iPhone (resident) requested that the Ordinance 2021-1 be put on Township website.

Public comment was closed at 8:59 pm.

Motion by Mr. Lindstrom 2cd by Mrs. Beecher that proposed ordinance 2021-1 be posted now on the Township website.

Meeting was adjourned at 9:02 pm.

**Next regular PC meeting will be held February 16, 2021 at 6:30 pm. Zoom or in person to be determined based on government guidelines.**