

Charlevoix Township Planning Commission

August 16, 2023

Chairperson Mary Ann Ehinger called the meeting to order. A roll call vote was taken with Bradford Lewis, JB Hoyt and Ben Owens was present. Ron Fratrack was absent.

All stood for the Pledge of Allegiance

Minutes for the July 19, 2023 Owens made the Motion, with Lewis supporting, to approve the minutes, with correction

Old Business:

Master Plan: The review to the Master Plan was discussed. Chapter 6 will be reviewed at the next work session. September work dates were scheduled for September 7 and September 14 from 5pm to 7pm

Boulder Park Traffic Issues: The continuing traffic issues and possible resolutions were discussed. Waiting for a response from Attorney Jarema on the possible solutions.

Astor Industries: The tour last month went well. Discussed the avenues for Aster to relay information to the Board.

New Business:

New Member: The appointment of Ben Turschak to the Planning Commission was discussed. He will start in September. Bradford Lewis has agreed to be the board representative to the Zoning Board of Appeals. Ben Owens has agreed to be the Chairperson for the Planning Commission.

Charlevoix Country Club/STR: Mr. Lobenhertz was present to discuss the possibility of short term rentals in a new development within the Charlevoix County Club. He questioned whether the Short Term Rental Ordinance applies in a Planned Unit Development. The Planning Commission will look at the original approval of the PUD and speak with attorney Jarema for further clarification. The matter will be added to a future meeting for review and discussion.

Zoning Administrator's Report: John Ferguson's report was reviewed and discussed. The issues brought up at the Townships Board Meeting regarding trash was discussed.

Public Comment: Nona Jadwin was present to discuss the possibility of adding a tiny home or structure on her property. The issue was reviewed and discussed. Zack Sompels, Coordinator for Housing North was present to discuss his company and an apartment project that he is working with a developer to build within the Township. A housing needs report is almost completed. May be able to give a condensed version at the next meeting.

Correspondence: None

Meeting adjourned at 8:06pm

Respectfully submitted,

Mindy Joy, Recording Secretary.