

County of Antrim - Planning Commission

Dawn LaVanway, Secretary
Barbara Bradford
Kenny Provost

Gary Lockwood, Chair
Richard Friske, Jr.
Ron Tschudy

Jim Gurr, Vice-Chair
Jason Helwig
vacancy

Minutes – August 2, 2022

Members Present: Ron Tschudy, Jason Helwig, Gary Lockwood, Jim Gurr, Dawn LaVanway,
Members Absent: Barb Bradford, Richard Friske, Jr., and Kenny Provost
Staff and Others: Pete Garwood, Jeremy Scott

1. Meeting called to order at 6:00 by Mr. Lockwood

2. Pledge of Allegiance

3. Approval of Agenda

Motion by Ms. LaVanway, seconded by Mr. Tschudy, to approve the August 2 agenda as presented.

Motion Passes, 5 – Yes, 0 - No, 3 - Absent

4. Declaration of Conflict of Interest

None

5. Public Comment

Ron Tschudy gave public comment regarding surface water.

6. Approval of Minutes

Motion by Mr. Helwig, seconded by Mr. Gurr, to approve the minutes from June 7, 2022 as presented.

Motion Passes, 5 – Yes, 0 - No, 3 - Absent

7. Old Business

8. New Business

Review of Master Plan Chapter 8

The Commission made note of the need to update map 9-1 on page 53. They additionally wanted to see an emergency management paragraph under Essential Services.

Nakwema trail to be noted as in progress. Also to note how some recreation trails and Village roads are used for transportation seasonally utilizing ORV's and snowmobiles.

Improvement of the Airport map to include Star Township, Alden and Milton helipad and either making it a full-page or integrate with existing 9-1 map.

Motion by Mr. Gurr seconded by Mr. Helwig, to approve Chapter 8 with identified and discussed changes.

Motion Passes, 5 – Yes, 0 - No, 3 - Absent

Elk Rapids Township – Proposed Amendment: Shoreline Regulations

A brief discussion ensued.

Motion by Mr. Helwig, seconded by Mr. Tschudy, we find not incompatibilities between the Elk Rapids Township proposed zoning amendment 2022-1 and the Antrim County Master Plan. The County Planning Commission recommends approval after addressing the following concerns:

- 1. I am not sure if the Soil Erosion Officer would need to be involved at all. Paragraph one of 2.11, A. states, “No land alterations including the removal of tree stumps and natural ice dams shall be allowed within this native protection strip.” If no land alterations are allowed, I assume this means that no earth would be moved or laid bare. Therefore, a soil erosion and sedimentation control permit would not be required.**
- 2. Coordination of local zoning with the soil erosion control program is a good thing. However, once a township zoning ordinance starts to put requirements on an enforcing agent from a completely different program and employer it can get a little sticky. It can be done, but usually the two organizations would sign an agreement. The other option is to change the language to be more permissive than required as it relates to the Soil Erosion Control Officer.**

Motion Passes, 5 – Yes, 0 - No, 3 – Absent

FY2023 Budget

Motion by Mr. Helwig, seconded by Mr. Gurr to recommend approval of the 2023 Planning Commission Budget at \$5000.

Motion Passes, 5 – Yes, 0 - No, 3 – Absent

9. Various Matters

Training Updates

None

Capital Improvement Plan

The plan was briefly discussed.

Natural Hazards Mitigation Plan

Planning Commissioners were advised to provide any recommendations prior to the next meeting. Autumn Olive was noted as being a potential fire hazard going forward

Communications

None

10. Public/Member Comment

Motion by Ms. LaVanway, seconded by Mr. Tschudy to adjourn the meeting.

Motion Passes, 5 – Yes, 0 - No, 3 – Absent

Meeting was adjourned at XXXX pm