

**Barry County Planning Commission
Meeting Minutes
October 24, 2022**

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Chairperson Clyde Morgan, in the Community Room of the Tyden Center located at 121 South Church Street in Hastings. The Planning Commission members in attendance included: Morgan, John LaForge, Jack Miner, Robert Vanderboegh, Joyce Snow and Jack Nadwornik. Those in attendance included: James McManus and other interested people.

Motion by Morgan to excuse Vivian Conner from the meeting. Support by Snow. All ayes – motion carried.

Motion by LaForge to approve the agenda as printed. Support by Miner. All ayes – motion carried.

Motion by LaForge to approve the minutes as of September 26, 2022. Support by Miner. All ayes - motion carried.

Farmland Agreements

#22-7

Nicholas Reigler

McManus noted the property is in Irving Township and is both Planned and Zoned Rural Residential, which allows farming as a by right use. He noted the Reiglers own a lot of property in that area.

Motion by Miner to recommend approval of #22-7 to the Board of Commissioners. Support by LaForge. All ayes – motion carried.

#22-8

Shane Jones

McManus noted the property is in Barry Township and is both Planned and Zoned Rural Residential, which allows farming as a by right use. He noted the application indicates Jones will be planting cash crops.

Motion by Snow to recommend approval of #22-8 to the Board of Commissioners. Support by LaForge. All ayes – motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Cathy Slajter thanked the Planning Commission for rescinding the approval of the Gravel Pit. She noted she would be ok with widening the road.

Don Sklenka also thanked the Planning Commission for rescinding their approval and noted the Hope Township denial has been appealed.

McManus read a letter from the Healthy Waters Alliance.

Snow asked about the Master Plan. McManus noted he slowed the process down so the public hearing will be early in 2023.

Motion by LaForge to adjourn. Support by Vanderboegh. All ayes – motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 7:14 pm.

Respectfully submitted,



Jack Nadwornik