

**OTSEGO LAKE TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION  
APPROVED MINUTES  
September 1, 2022**

Chairperson Jack Udebrock called the meeting of the Otsego Lake Township Planning Commission to order at 7:00 pm. The meeting opened with roll call.

Planning Commission members present: Nora Corfis, Gary Johnson, Susan LaVanway, Tim Miller, Leo Sensabaugh, Jack Udebrock, and Jay Welter

A quorum was present.

Audience members: Randy Stults, John Poliskey, Ken Jensen, Ingrid Vernier

After roll call the Pledge of Allegiance was said.

**Persons Requested by the Commission to Attend the Meeting:**

No one was requested to attend

**Conflict of Interest**

There were no conflicts of interest for any of the agenda items.

**Public Hearing:**

There was no public hearing.

**Housekeeping Business:**

The next meeting of the Otsego Lake Township Planning Commission is scheduled October 6, 2022 at 7:00 pm at the Otsego Lake Township Hall.

**Public Comments, Communications Concerning Items on the Agenda and Additions to the Agenda:**

There were no public comments or additions to the agenda.

**Approval of Minutes:**

Chairperson Udebrock asked for approval of the Otsego Lake Township Planning Commission Minutes dated June 2, 2022. Susan LaVanway moved to accept the

minutes as corrected. Jay Welter supported the motion which passed unanimously by a voice-vote.

### **New Business:**

#### PZSU-003 Application for Small Wind Generator

Mr. John Poliskey of 11284 Sherwood Dr., Frederic, Michigan applied for a special use permit to install a single pole small wind turbine generator 33 feet in height. It is purchased as a 48-volt, 2000-watt kit from Missouri Wind and Solar. The Commission discussed the location and decimal level of the proposed installation. The installation is allowed in the RR district.

Tim Miller moved to recommend approval of PZSU-003 for a small wind turbine generator installation by John Poliskey of 11284 Sherwood Dr., Frederic, Mi 49733. Leo Sensabaugh supported the motion. The motion was discussed. Jay Welter brought up the location of the wind turbine did not meet the 1 ½ times the height setback requirement in the zoning ordinance.

Tim Miller amended his motion and recommended approval of PZSU-003 for a small wind turbine generator installation by John Poliskey of 11284 Sherwood Dr., Frederic, Michigan provided its location meets the requirement of a minimum setback of 1 ½ times the generator height to the nearest property line. Gary Johnson supported the motion which passed unanimously by a voice-vote.

#### Text Amendment to Zoning Ordinance Section 21.10 Fences

The Commission reviewed the proposed changes and recommends to the Otsego County Planning Commission the following changes:

1. The numbering order needs correcting starting at 21.10.2.7 to 21.10.3.
2. In the chart 21.10.3 add (side and rear yard) after Garden Area.
3. Delete side and rear of the from the definition of Garden Area.
4. Delete An eight foot from the definition of Garden Fence.

#### Planning Commission Communications

The Planning Commission requested of our Township Board representative that communications from the Otsego County Land Use Services sent to our township clerk for the Otsego Lake Township Planning Commission be copied (in color if sent as such) and mailed to members unless advised otherwise.

Reports Regarding Planning and Zoning from Each Member of the Commission

Gary Johnson reported on township activities.

Nora Corfis reported that the County did not hold a Planning Commission meeting in August.

As there was no further discussion, Chairperson Udebrock adjourned the meeting at 8:37 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Nora Corfis".

Nora Corfis  
Secretary