

Laketon Township Planning Commission
January 10, 2024 Regular Meeting & Public Hearing Minutes – Approved 03-13-2024

CALL TO ORDER: Vice-Chair June Earhart called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

ROLL CALL:

- Present: Eric Anderson, Chris Simpson, Paul Hoppa, Suzanne Hayes and June Earhart.
- Absent: Bob Marine and Dave Mieras.
- Also present: Zoning Administrator Heidi Tice and Recording Secretary Veronica West.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Suzanne Hayes moved to approve the agenda as presented. Paul Hoppa supported the motion and the motion carried by voice vote.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Suzanne Hayes moved to approve the minutes of as presented. Eric Anderson supported the motion. The motion carried by voice vote.

PUBLIC COMMENTS ON AGENDA ITEMS ONLY: NONE

CORRESPONDENCE:

- **Monthly Permit Report:** ZA H. Tice reported on an enforcement issue that has turned into a vandalism issue – a property on N Green Creek Rd where a home burned down in spring of 2022 has had an accessory building built with an RV in it, with no zoning approval or building permit – an accessory building is not permitted under the zoning ordinance without a dwelling on it. The property owner was sent letters and then started calling staff after hours and on holidays and been verbally threatening, He then threw sewage waste from his RV black tank on the sidewalk in front of the front entry doors to the township hall – charges are being pursued.
- **Parks & Rec Plan** – ZA H. Tice also reported to the PC that she has submitted the final/adopted plan to the Michigan DNR.

NEW BUSINESS:

- **2024 Meeting Dates:** Eric Anderson moved to approve the 2024 meeting date schedule. Chris Simpson supported the motion. The motion carried by voice vote.
- **2024 Election of Officers:**
 - **Chairperson:** Eric Anderson moved to nominate Bob Marine for Chairperson, Paul Hoppa supported the motion. The motion carried by voice vote.
 - **Vice-Chairperson:** Eric Anderson moved to nominate June Earhart for Vice-Chairperson. Paul Hoppa supported the motion. The motion carried by voice vote.
 - **Secretary:** Eric Anderson moved to nominate Dave Mieras for Secretary. Suzanne Hayes supported the motion. The motion carried by voice vote.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: NONE

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

- June Earhart commented on noticing several areas at the Mullally Park facilities where fencing is in rough shape. ZA H. Tice to discuss with/report this to staff and elected officials.

BOARD REPORTS:

- **Board of Trustees – Eric Anderson** – reported to the PC that the old tennis court/basketball court facilities at Mullally Park have been removed and the project to install a new tennis court, several pickleball courts and a basketball court is progressing.
- **Zoning Board of Appeals – Suzanne Hayes** – Had their one annual required meeting in December, approved minutes from a prior meeting but there was no other business to attend to.

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ADJOURNMENT:

- Eric Anderson moved to adjourn. Chris Simpson supported the motion. The motion carried and the adjournment occurred at 6:21 pm.

Respectfully Submitted:

Veronica West
Recording Secretary