

Michigamme Township

Planning Commission

Minutes of December 2, 2021

Present: Julia Leake, Janice Anderson, David Niemi, Terry McBride, Jason McCarthy (Zoning Administrator)

Absent: Ruth Starr

Guest: Robert DellAngelo

Call to Order: 5:30 pm

I. Pledge of Allegiance

II. Approval of Agenda with Amendment: Motion to approve: Leake, Second: McBride, Motion passes.

III. Approval of Minutes of November 11, 2021: Motion to approve: Julia Leake, Second: David Niemi, Motion passes.

IV. Old Business

A. Master Plan

1. Bob DellAngelo presented Planning Commission with Action Plan indicating responsible party, timeline, and funding sources for each objective.
2. Since the Development Survey upon which the Master Plan is based is 5 years old, the Planning Commission recommends that a new survey be conducted and the Master Plan updated before recommending its acceptance. Also, demographic data needs to be updated. Motion to approve administering a new survey: Julia Leake, Second: Terry McBride, Motion passes.

B. Small Animals Ordinance: Action deferred until Jason McCarthy can complete work on the language.

C. Signs Ordinance: Action deferred until Jason McCarthy can complete work on the language.

D. Blight

1. Properties still not in compliance during blight re-check on November 13, 2021 to be cited. Motion to Approve this action: Julia Leake, Second: Terry McBride, Motion passes.

2. No action to date by Marquette County Road Commission regarding car in ROW on Mesnard St.
3. No photos received from Chet DeRoche about blighted property near Arflin Lake.
4. Blight Form needs updating to eliminate confusing language. Julia and Jan will update the form and present it at the next meeting.

E. Vacation Home Rentals

1. Planning Commission will proceed as usual with current licensing of Vacation Homes in Michigamme Township until the legislature passes a bill to supersede township supervision.
2. Planning Commission needs to check Vacation Home Rental websites to see if there are unlicensed properties within our township.

V. New Business

A. New Zoning Permits Issued

1. Dan Helppi – Accessory structure (52-09327-003-00) Green Road

VI. Correspondence: None

VII. Public Comment: None

VIII. Adjournment: 7:05 pm

IX. Next meeting: January 13, 2022, 5:30 pm