

GREEN LAKE TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION
HELD VIA WEBEX
FEBRUARY 22, 2021

MINUTES

1. CALL TO ORDER: By Chairman Schworm at 6:00 pm.
2. PLEDGE OF ALLGIANCE: Was recited by all.
3. ROLL CALL: Board members present virtually were: McDonald, Schworm, Horne, Volkening, Mouser, Schuster and Barck. All members attended the meeting from Green Lake Township, Grand Traverse County. Also present virtually were Alycia Reiten, Planning and Zoning Director and Ronda Robinson, Recording Secretary.
4. ELECTION OF OFFICERS:

Motion by Volkening and support by Schuster to keep the same slate of Officers for the 2021 year: Chair -Schworm, Vice Chair-Mouser, Secretary-Horne. Roll Call: Yes-McDonald, Volkening, Mouser, Horne, Schuster, Schworm. Barck-unanswered. No-0. Carried 6-0.
5. APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Moved by Mouser and supported by Schuster to approve the Agenda, as presented. Roll Call: Yes-McDonald, Volkening, Schuster, Mouser, Horne, Schworm. Barck-unanswered. No-0. Carried 6-0.
6. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Moved by McDonald and supported by Schuster to approve the Minutes of October 26, 2020, as amended. Added to the motion in 9B *removal of Gateway Overlay District*. Roll Call: Yes-McDonald, Schworm, Mouser, Horne, Schuster. Barck were unanswered. Volkening abstained. No-0. Carried 5-0.
7. FIRST PUBLIC COMMENT: None.
8. CORRESPONDENCE: None.
9. CONFLICT OF INTEREST: None.
10. NEW BUSINESS
 - A. SEP 21-001-A request for a special event permit for the Interlochen Farmer's Market located at 2048 M-137, Interlochen, MI and owned by Oleson Land Company, LLC.

Hannelore Frederick, 18125 Amarillo, Copemish, MI, Manistee County, application representative, is requesting, for the ninth year in a row, a Special Event Permit for a Farmers' Market. The Market runs May thru October and there are 60 vendors participating, half selling food and half selling crafts. The vendors are all local and must grow or make what they sell. The application is the same as last year.

Schuster recommended the use of traffic cones to direct traffic during Farmers' Market hours.

Motion by Mouser and second by Volkening to grant SEP 21-001, as requested for a Special Event Permit for the Interlochen Farmers' Market located at 2148 M-127, Interlochen, MI. Roll Call: Yes-McDonald, Mouser, Horne, Volkening, Schworm Barck. Schuster unanswered. No-0. Carried 6-0.

B. SUP 20-004-A request for a plan update for AWM Enterprises.

The applicant Andy McQuillan removed a fence and a gate from the approved site plan. He feels like the level of security in place is adequate.

Reiten explained this is a minor change to the plan. There is plenty of natural foliage on the site and the setback for the fence couldn't be meet. The State requirements for security have been meet and she recommends changing the plan.

Motion by Schworm and support by Schuster to approve SUP 20-004 with the changes requested since it meets all the State security measures. Roll Call: Yes-McDonald, Volkening, Schworm, Mouser, Horne, Schuster. Barck unanswered. No-0. Carried. 6-0.

C. SUP 20-001-A request for a plan update for JP Landscaping.

Prieskorn built a shed and didn't know an update to the site plan was necessary. He obtained a Variance from the Zoning Board of Appeals for the new shed.

Reiten said she saw the shed had been built and let the applicant know he needed an update to his site plan and a Variance. He obtained the Variance and now needs to update the site plan. It is a minor change and doesn't need any other permits.

Motion by McDonald and second by Schworm to approve SUP 20-001, as requested. Roll Call: Yes-McDonald, Schworm, Volkening, Schuster, Mouser, Horne. Barck unanswered. No-0. Carried. 6-0.

11. OTHER BUSINESS: None.

12. LIASON REPORT FROM ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS: Volkening reported that on February 10th the Zoning board of Appeals determined that Short Term Rentals are a commercial activity. The Planning Commission will soon need to address this issue, probably by crafting a Zoning Ordinance for Short Term Rentals.
13. OLD BUSINESS: None.
14. SECOND PUBLIC COMMENT: None.
15. DISCUSSION: Horne welcomed Volkening to the Board and thanked Russell Marshall for his service to the Township.
16. ADJOURNMENT: Motion by McDonald and support by Schuster to adjourn the meeting at 6:50 pm. Roll Call: Yes-McDonald, Schuster, Volkening, Schworm, Mouser, Horne. Barck unanswered. Carried 6-0.

STEPHEN HORNE, SECRETARY
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RONDA ROBINSON, RECORDING SECRETARY
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