

Minutes
Sanilac Township Planning Commission

April 6, 2023 6:00 PM
Sanilac Township Hall
Port Sanilac, MI 48469

Meeting Called to Order at 6:02 PM by Acting Chair Corinne Falls

Pledge of Allegiance

Members Present: Bob Dear, Corinne Falls, Dan Finn, Branden Mack
Board Representative Bill Noelke, Zoning Administrator Kurtis Steeb

Absent: John Goike,

Guests: (1) Mel Chi

Additions to the Agenda: MiCasa Stays added to Old Business #1

Approve Agenda: *Motion by D. Finn “to approve the agenda”, seconded by B. Mack; Motion passed*

Public Comment/Communications: None

Approve Minutes:

Motion by D. Finn “to approve the minutes of the February 2, 2023 & March 2, 2023 Regular Meetings”, seconded by B. Noelke; Motion passed

Board Representative Report: None

Zoning Administrator Report:

February Permits: (2)

1. 7303 Walker Rd. 12’ x 28’ accessory building (Approved)
2. 2601 S. Lakeshore Rd. new 30’ x 20’ deck & 10’ x 20’ shed w/36’ x 26’ platform (Approved)

March Permits: (3)

1. 1266 N. Lakeshore Rd. new 1722 sq. ft. house w/two porches 16’ x 24’ & 8’ x 24’ (Approved)
2. 402 N. Huron View Rd. new 3800 sq. ft. house w/basement 3300 sq. ft. (Approved)
3. Basler Rd. 192 sq. ft. shed per ZBA making property a buildable parcel (Approved)

Accept the Reports:

Motion by B. Noelke “to accept the Zoning Administrator report”, seconded by D. Finn; Motion passed

Old Business:

1. Short Term Rentals: Continued discussions about a short-term rental ordinance. Discussion was again mainly about whether or not to limit short-term rentals in the township, and what would be the best method for accomplishing that. D. Finn and B. Dear shared information and concerns that MiCasa Stays, a local professional management company, has about a short term rental ordinance in the township. B. Mack mentioned that he had talked to

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Lexington's village manager Kris Kaatz about their short term rental ordinance, and who had written it. Also some discussion about short term rental fees, and how to locate and notify those who may already operate rentals when an ordinance is in place.

Motion by Dan Finn "to have Lexington's village manager Kris Kaatz attend our next meeting in May to discuss their short term rental ordinance", seconded by Bill Noelke; Motion passed

2. DTE Substation: DTE will purchase a 10 acre site at 6600 Snover Rd. just east of Huron View Rd. for their new substation. Zoning Administrator Kurtis Steeb mentioned that he has been in contact with Representative Michael Sage, and that DTE has not purchased the property yet.

New Business:

Planning Commissioners Terms Ending: Supervisor Dan Kelly has already contacted Bob Dear and John Goike about their intent to continue on the Planning Commission. There are also three other people who have applied to be on the Planning Commission and fill the vacancy.

Upcoming Meetings:

Next Regular meeting Thursday, May 4, 2023 at 6:00 PM

Motion to Adjourn by D. Finn, seconded by B. Mack

Meeting Adjourned: by Acting Chair Corinne Falls at 7:19 PM

Submitted by: Bob Dear
Planning Commission Secretary