

Minutes
Sanilac Township Planning Commission

July 7, 2022

Sanilac Township Hall
Port Sanilac, MI 48469

Meeting Called to Order by Chair John Goike at 7:00 P.M.

Pledge of Allegiance

Members Present: Bob Dear, Corinne Falls, John Goike, Mary Ann Milarch, Branden Mack,
Board Representative Bill Noelke, Zoning Administrator Kurtis Steeb
Guests: (2) Dan Finn, Township Supervisor Dan Kelly

Additions to the Agenda: Mary Ann Milarch announced that this would be her last meeting as a Planning Commission member.

Approve the Agenda:

“Motion to approve the agenda” by C. Falls; seconded by B. Dear; motion carried

Public Comment: Dan Kelly – Announced the retirement of Mary Ann Milarch, thanking her for her years of service on the Planning Commission, and the hiring of Kurtis Steeb to the position of Sanilac Township Zoning Administrator.

Approve Minutes:

“Motion to approve the minutes of the June 2, 2022 Regular Meeting” by B. Noelke; seconded by M. Milarch; motion carried

Board Representative Report: None

Zoning Administrator March Report:

1. 829 N, Ridge Rd. install 22 solar panels (Approved)
2. 6756 Derby Rd. 30’ x 40’ pole barn (Approved)
3. 1875 S. Lakeshore Rd. protect meter (Approved)
4. No address yet, new house (Approved)
5. 6095 Walker Rd., new house (Approved)

Accept the Reports:

“Motion to accept the report as presented” by C. Falls; seconded by B. Dear; motion carried

Old Business:

Short Term Rentals: B. Noelke distributed copies of the proposed Worth Township short-term rental ordinance. B. Mack, who had attended the Worth Township public hearing on the ordinance, gave an overview of the meeting. He reported that there were a lot of people there, including several air bnb owners. The feeling was that it would probably take at least a year for the ordinance to be completed. Occupancy, parking, guests, pets, fires, noise, and trash were some of the items they were regulating. Short-term rentals would only be allowed in R1 & R2 residential districts, and require a local “agent” who lives within 30 miles.

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Port Sanilac Garden Club “Garden Walk Market Place”: Decided to amend the June minutes motion for the Port Sanilac Garden Club permit, changing it to a “Seasonal” use permit rather than a special land use permit.

Motion by B. Noelke to “amend the June minutes to reflect a ‘Seasonal’ use permit instead of a special land use permit”; seconded by B. Dear, motion carried

New Business:

Resolution of Recognition to Honor Mary Ann Milarch for her service to the Planning Commission:

Motion by B. Dear to “adopt a Resolution of Recognition to honor Mary Ann Milarch for her 20 plus years of service as a member of the Sanilac Township Planning Commission”; seconded by B. Noelke. Motion carried

Next Regular Meeting: Thursday, August 4, 2022 at 7:00 PM

Motion to Adjourn

“Motion to adjourn” by M. Milarch, seconded by B. Noelke

Meeting Adjourned by Chair J. Goike at 8:00 P.M.

Submitted by: Bob Dear
Planning Commission Secretary