

WORTH TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION MINUTES

DECEMBER 7, 2022, at 6:30 p.m.

6903 S. LAKESHORE RD., WORTH TOWNSHIP, MI 48450

CALL TO ORDER: Chairman Wilson called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL: Members Present: Byron Wilson, Stan Lessard, Tom Gilbert, John Cuppen, Boni Lillibridge.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Motion by Lessard, supported by Cuppen to approve the agenda. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Motion by Lessard, supported by Cuppen to approve the minutes as written for November 2, 2022. Motion carried.

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND CORRESPONDENCE:

Ms. Lillibridge announced that she had been in contact with Judy Allen for the Legislative section of the MTA. The discussion was concerning Michigan House Bill 4722 and Senate Bill 446, the Short-Term Rental Bill. Ms. Allen said that the Michigan legislature is in a 'Lame Duck' session and in January the control of the Michigan House and Senate will switch to Democrat control. December 7th is the last day the Senate will be in session for 2022. Ms. Allen said if HB4722/SB446 does not pass, the Bill will die in committee. When the Michigan legislature resumes in January 2023, new committees would need to be formed to take up the issue of Short-Term Rentals again and she did not believe that would happen.

OLD BUSINESS

- **WIND TURBINES ORDINANCE**

The Planning Commission discussed the ordinance from Paris Township concerning the Utility-Grid Wind Energy System (Wind Turbines) that has been re-written for Worth Township. The Planning Commission reviewed the Ordinance so the existing Worth Township Wind Energy Ordinance Sec. 300-25 can be updated. After review of the ordinance, the Planning Commission will send the

proposed updated ordinance to the Worth Township Board of Trustees for consideration and review. The Planning Commission reviewed the proposed ordinance, made changes and the revised ordinance will be reviewed again at the January 4, 2023, meeting.

TRUSTEE REPORTS

Mr. Cuppen asked if the Planning Commission had any more information about a Storage Container Ordinance. Chairman Wilson said we are still working on getting more information and we will bring it to the agenda next year.

Chairman Wilson brought up the Future Land Use/Master Plan. Discussion concerning a Business District on the West side of M-25 extending 300 feet deep. Chairman Wilson also introduced possible pedestrian walkways over M-25.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

MEETING ADJOURNMENT:

Motion by Lessard, supported by Cuppen to adjourn meeting. Motion carried.
Meeting adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

Boni Lillibridge

Secretary

Worth Township Planning Commission