

SHERMAN TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION
AUGUST 12, 2026 @ 7 PM
MEETING MINUTES

1. Meeting called to order: Pledge
2. Roll Call:
 - ✓ Present: Doug Berens, Wayne Berens, Al Smalligan, Don Clark, Jim VanBoven, Cyle Barrett
 - ✓ Absent: Mark Kukal
3. Approval of Agenda: 1st by Doug Berens and 2nd by Wayne Berens
4. Approval of Meeting Minutes: 1st by Al Smalligan and 2nd by Cyle Barrett
5. Public Comments (3 minutes): None
6. Communications:
 - ✓ Chairman's comments:
 - i. MTA Hot Topics in Planning & Zoning
 1. <https://michigantownships.org/>, (Learning, then live webinars and online learning center.
 - a. If you are not receiving the magazine, you can find the digital version on the above sight
 - b. Wayne Berens and Cyle Barrett are not receiving the magazine.
7. Existing Business: Direct access to Michigan Citizens Planner and Classroom programs 2026.
 - i. <https://www.canr.msu.edu/michigancitizenplanner/>
 - ii. <https://canr.msu.edu/events/citizen-planner-mason-county-classroom-program-2026>
 1. This is a 6-week class (Wednesday's), and is held in Ludington.
 2. If you take a class/training get a receipt and you will be reimbursed.
 3. Don will look at webinars to see which ones would fit for the commission.
8. New Business:
 - i. Cyle brought up the maps in the master plan (pages 44 & 45), and the colors on the map do not line up with the legend or do not show correctly. This is also how it shows on the township's web site.
 1. Don will connect with Jamie on this.
9. Review: NA
10. Public Comment: NA
11. Adjournment: 7:21 pm

Respectfully submitted by: Christina Berens