**Standish Township**

**Planning Commission**

**April 4, 2022 Minutes**

Meeting was called to order by Dale Raymond, at 6:00pm, following with the Pledge of Allegiance

Raymond started out with the planning commission board members can consist of 5, 7, or 9 members. Tim Markel will not be joining planning but if we need him in the future he would be willing to join. Carlos Mori will be the 7th member. Raymond also stated that the chairperson could not vote on issues unless there is a tie.

**Roll Call, Present:** Ryan Klenk, Dale Raymond, Wayne Reetz, Melissa Jennings, Gary McFarland, Frank Allinger, & Carlos Mori. Present: Zoning Administrator: Harold Woolhiser

**Absent**: -0-

**Motion** was made by Gary McFarland and supported by Ryan Klenk to accept Frank Allinger resignation as recording clerk. Motion passed 6 to -0-.

**Nomination for Recording Clerk:** Gary McFarland nominated Melissa Jennings, she declined. No other nominations were offered. The chairperson, Dale Raymond, said she will take notes and do the minutes.

Motion made by Ryan Klenk and supported by Frank Allinger to accept the March 7, 2022 minutes as presented. Motion passed 6 to -0-.

**Approval of Agenda:** additions/revisions: Raymond corrected the date on the agenda for approval of the minutes from March 7, 2021 to March 7, 2022. Motion to approve the agenda with the correction was made by Ryan Klenk and supported by Frank Allinger. Motion passed 6 to -0-.

**Public Comment:** None

**Public Hearing D&N Garage: Time:** 6:05pm

Motion to recess regular meeting and go into Public Hearing was made by Gary McFarland and supported by Wayne Reetz. Motion passed 6 to -0-.

Jacob Francisco explained the reason for the wrecker service in Arenac County and how it will benefit the county. It is located on M-13 and one lot in from the corner of Bordeau Rd. Consumers Power came in and put in power and gave it a new address. The new address is 4969 South Huron, Standish, MI. This district is zoned Commercial 2. Reason for the public hearing is because it is a special land use permit. Dale Raymond asked if there was anyone who wanted to speak in favor of the business. No one spoke in favor of it. Raymond then asked if anyone was against it. No one spoke against it.

Motion to close Public Hearing and go back into Regular Meeting was made by Ryan Klenk and supported by Carlos Mori. Motion passed 6 to -0-. **Time: 6:11pm**

Board discussion took placed and each board member was in favor of the business coming to the area.

Motion to recommend to Twp. Board for D&N Garage to operate a wrecker service is accepted. Motion passed 6 to -0-. Raymond to take the recommendation to April 11th board meeting.

**Reports:**

**ZA Harold Woolhiser** went over his written report. He is working on the camper complaint. The court case, with the shed, has reached a settlement and owner agrees to use it only as storage shed, not living quarters. There was a court settlement with the wedding venue at 2250 Pine River Rd., and that business will be discontinued. The owner was present and said he had it advertised on a website and asked to take it down but the company had not done that yet.

**Township Trustee Ryan Klenk:** said the signs for the hall were done. Ryan will check to see if the books planning commission asked for were ordered and get back to us at the May meeting.

**Old Business:**

1. Rental at 5464 Willow Dr. / Georgia Torsin: board members reviewed the information handed out to them. Frank Allinger gave a copy which is registered with the county, information of Point Wenonah Subdivision No. 2, dated back to 1954 which states what property owners can and cannot do. A couple members felt that our zoning ordinance supersedes the registered information. The information never carried forward with any other deed to the property owners in this subdivision. A majority of the members want more time to review this. Harold Woolhiser will contact the township attorney to see if it still is legal. This issue will be carried over to the May meeting.

2. We will be working through the year on short term rentals such as cottages cabins, etc. and update our zoning book. Each member is to bring to the meeting what they think are issues. Visit people who do short term rentals and see what issues they have. Planning board hopes to have a public hearing at the September meeting and be able to pass the changes onto the Standish Township Board for approval by October meeting.

4. Jerry Lalonde permit signed and issue is completed.

**New Business:** None

**Public Comment:**

Scott Izzo, wanted a zoning book / information on Rhode Brothers.

Floyd Bender, lawsuit / rentals

Deb Aguirre, thank us for being respectful.

Vickie Morse commented on all the rules and regulations / will be attending more meetings.

**Motion to Adjourn:** Motion made by Carlos Mori and supported by Melissa Jennings to adjourn the meeting. Motion passed 6 to -0-. Time 7:40pm

Minutes submitted by Dale Raymond, chairperson