**Standish Township**

**Planning Commission**

**Minutes June 6, 2022**

Meeting called to order by Dale Raymond at 6:00pm followed by the Pledge of Allegiances.

Present: Gary McFarland, Carlos Mori, Dale Raymond, Wayne Reetz

Present: Harold Woolhiser, Zoning Administrator

Absent: Ryan Klenk, Melissa Jennings, Frank Allinger

**Motion** made by Wayne Reetz and supported by Gary McFarland to approve the May 2, 2022 minutes as presented. Motion passed 3 to -0-.

**Motion** made by Wayne Reetz and supported by Carlos Mori to accept the agenda as presented. Motion passed 3 to -0-.

Public Comment: -0-

**Reports:**

Zoning Administrator, Harold Woolhiser: went over written report. # 10 of his report, issue with camper, attorney will notify the property owners. # 11 of his report, received 19 blight violations from Mary Jo Bender and will be looking into all. Harold explained the process of how he investigates complaints of blight issues.

Trustee Ryan Klenk: absent

**Old Business:**

**Short term rental:** Dale Raymond presented a list of short term rental information that she thought should be deleted from the book. Raymond also presented information that may need to be added to the book.

From: Dale Raymond

Corrected June 6, 2022

I went through the zoning book and this is what I found on the short term rental information.

My page may be different than yours. I did a search on the zoning ordinance posted on the township website and their pages do not match mine.

1. Residential District, page 5-3, right side, #8 and #16
2. Agricultural District, page 5-5, right side, #1 and #15
3. Commercial District, page 5-6, right side, #6
4. General Commercial District, page 5-7, left side, #4, right side #20
5. Forest & Recreation District, page 5-9, right side #17
6. Lakeshore District, page 5-10, right side #2 and #4, then below in additional requirements: should take out “single family dwellings month to month”
7. Special Land Use 6.12.1 continued, page 6-6,delete first column, Bed & Breakfast Establishment, middle column, 1. Same as zoning district in which site is located, third column 1. Must provide at least one (1) bathroom for each two (2) sleeping rooms provided for guest and 2. Must provide one (1) off street parking space for the inn plus one (1) space for each sleeping room should all be deleted. Then on left side bottom deleted “and overnight rental cabins or cottages”.
8. Off Street Parking Requirements, page 7-3, #12, take out and rental cottages
9. Bed and Breakfast Establishment, page 11-3, take out title and definition.
10. Definition, page 11-12, Hotel-Motel, change definition to: title, Hotel, a commercial establishment offering lodging and guest services provided by on-site staff. Hotel rooms are private and never shared with strangers.
11. Definition, page 11-15, take out (see Hotel) and insert: roadside hotel designated primarily for motorist, typically having rooms arranged in low building with parking directly outside.

Table of Contents:

I would like to start listing the date and change planning commission make to the zoning book.

In the Table of Contents add Article 12: Changes to Zoning Book Starting May 2022, then

12.1 Opt out of short term rental regulations …………………………………May 9, 2022

12.2 Etc.…………….

In Back of Book:

Add Article 12, Changes to Zoning Book Starting May 2022

Then add any changes we do.

Example: 12.1, Opt out of short term rental regulations such as cottages, single cabins, bed and breakfast, etc., Reference to Standish Township Board meeting May 9, 2022. Motion was made and approved.

**Motion** made by Gary McFarland and supported by Wayne Reetz to accept the list as complete and make the changes into the zoning ordinance book. Motion passed 3 to -0-.

**Old Business:**

**Master Plan Review:** Planning Commission discussed changes that need to be made so far. The master plan book will be reviewed at the next several meetings to bring the book up to date. Listed below is what the commission came up with so far: page 1-1, second paragraph from bottom the word build change to built, the 37 miles of shoreline may be the whole of Arenac County but not in Standish Township, need to correct. Page 2.29 take out and currently operates. Names in the front need to be corrected. Flood map information need to get from the township board. Page 2-33 change maps to reflect Sandy Drive as lakeshore instead of a residential district. Add information on Sandy Drive water lines and Whites Beach water lines and sewer. Harold Woolhiser suggested putting a legend on the map to show water and sewer lines. All agreed good idea.

**New Business: -0-**

**Public Comment:**

George Aultman, commented on the blight issues and said there is a lot of work to do.

Floyd Bender brought up dead trees and they are by power lines. A call to Consumers was placed and Consumers said they will not do anything until the power goes out.

Motion made by Gary McFarland and supported by Carlos Mori to close the meeting, Motion passed 3 to -0-. Time was 7:01pm

Minutes recorded by Dale Raymond