

PINE TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION

7900 W. Second Street, Stanton, MI 48888

Minutes of October 13, 2025 Quarterly Meeting

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 5:00 PM by Christensen, followed by roll call and the Pledge of Allegiance.

Present: Gary Christensen, Chair; Derek Buchholz; Vice Chair, Jamie Gorby, Secretary; Darcy Krause, Board Liaison; Chris Bell

Absent: Bob Andresen, Dan Main

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion by Buchholz, supported by Bell, to approve the agenda.

MOTION PASSED

APPROVAL OF SEPTEMBER 8, 2025 MINUTES

Krause moved, supported by Christensen, to approve the minutes as written.

MOTION PASSED

CORRESPONDENCE

After the public hearing, Christensen received correspondence from MDOT regarding the Singleton special land use permit request. He also received a letter from Michael and Alicia Kitlaus of Alto, Michigan stating their opposition to the special land use permit. A copy of each letter will be given to the Township clerk to file.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Bill Drews, Township Supervisor, acknowledged the years of service on the Planning Commission of Bob Behrenwald, who recently passed away.

OLD BUSINESS

- **Pine Township Noise Ordinance Review**

Bill Drews, Township Supervisor, informed the PC that supervisors throughout the county will be meeting at the Sheriff's Department on Wednesday, October 15 regarding blight (including noise). He will let the PC know what is learned at that meeting

The PC will hold a special meeting on Monday, November 10, 2025 at 5:00 PM to work on the noise ordinance.

- **Public Hearing – CREO Adoption**

The public hearing for adoption of CREO will be held Monday, November 10, 2025 at 5:00 PM. The CREO will be distributed for PC review and will be placed on the Township website and available at the public hearing for public view. Gorby will arrange for publication of the public hearing notice.

NEW BUSINESS AND/OR COMMUNICATION

- **Master Plan Review**

There is no record of the Master Plan having been updated since 2009. A community survey was taken at that time before the Master Plan was implemented.

Gorby moved, supported by Bell, to ask the Township board for permission to consult with a planner and obtain pricing for a community survey to be sent out to all Township residents to get residents' feelings on the current Master Plan.

MOTION PASSED

PUBLIC COMMENT

Leslie Rydahl – re PA233 reversal – the Court will decide based on briefs that were filed. Oral arguments will be taken before the decision is made. The decision is expected during the first quarter of 2026.
She gave the PC the name and phone number of the planner that drafted Cato Township's master plan.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Gorby, supported by Krause, to adjourn the meeting at 6:11 P.M.

MOTION PASSED

The next special meeting will be Monday, November 10, 2025 at 5:00 PM.

The next quarterly meeting will be Monday, January 12, 2026 at 5:00 PM.

Minutes submitted by Jamie Gorby, Secretary

Minutes typed by Barbara Kaaikala, Recording Secretary