

APPROVED QUARTERLY MEETING MINUTES
PINE TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION
Monday, April 11, 2022 at 5:00 PM

The quarterly meeting of the Pine Township Planning Commission held at the Pine Township Hall, 7900, W. 2nd Street, Stanton, Michigan 48888

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Scott Millard at 5:01 p.m., followed by the Pledge of Allegiance and roll call.

Present: Scott Millard, Chair; Gary Christensen, Vice Chair; Jamie Gorby, Secretary; Tyler Nadeau, Board Liaison; Chris Bell

Bob Behrenwald arrived at 5:04 PM

Absent: Dan Main

2. Approval of Agenda

Moved by Nadeau, supported by Bell

MOTION PASSED

3. Approval of March 14, 2022 Minutes

Moved by Christensen; supported by Bell.

MOTION PASSED

4. Old Business

December 20, 2021 Minutes – Nadeau explained that he was asked by Bill Drews to have Commission correct the PC 12/20 minutes in relation to the Montcalm County Sheriff's Deputy's presence at the meeting.

Gorby referenced MCL 15.269 (State law in reference to corrections to Minutes) and read aloud to the Commission the section regarding ***correcting minutes***.

(PC consensus was once approved, Minutes cannot be changed. Any updates need to be noted in the Minutes of the meeting where the subject is discussed).

Leslie Rydahl (who had recorded the Minutes) shared that, in her opinion, the Minutes were accurate.

Drews – clarified that he didn't receive a copy of the Minutes until after the Commission had met and approved them, and that his request for change was only so that the Minutes would include the reason that the police were called. He feels that Rydahl did an excellent job of taking Minutes.

The Commission discussed the events leading up to the police being called: ~~a citizen having confronted Drews, Bell came between the citizen and Drews to calm the situation, and Nadeau called police to ensure peace and safety as people would be exiting.~~

Let the record show this above correction was discussed and decided upon by majority of pc on 7/11/22

5. New Business

Millard – Commission needs to look at the zoning book. He will touch base with Drews and get direction for what PC should work on next.

Nadeau – Solar, Blight, and Noise ordinances will need to be looked at

Public Comment

Joel Black – in reference to reestablishing gravel pit adjacent to his property–hoped that his requests for

- 1) a berm between his property and the gravel pit, and
- 2) that rocks could not be crushed before noon, would be in the Special Land Use permit given to the new owner.

Bell doesn't believe those two specifications were put into the permit. Black feels that things are going well between him and the new owner and feels comfortable that they can work together to ensure there is no conflict between them.

Behrenwald – Master Plan hasn't been updated since 2009.

Millard – would like new (fresh copies) zoning books after updating

Gorby – would like Master Plan to be on the Township website.

Nadeau will take suggestions to the Board

6. Public Comment

Drews – start from beginning in ordinance book and update

Dawn Sweet – residents are laid back about noise and problems can be minimized by first talking to the neighbor with whom there is an issue

Gordon Gorby – does the music festival on Rainbow Lake need a permit?
How would that type of noise complaint be enforced?

Millard thinks the permit would be obtained from Montcalm County.
Complaints would go to County or State Police.

Christensen – did new wind ordinance get published? Gorby – not in today's newspaper. Millard/Behrenwald – not official until 7 days after newspaper publication.

7. Adjournment

Nadeau moved, Behrenwald supported. MOTION PASSED.

Meeting adjourned at 5:37 PM

Minutes submitted by:



Jamie Gorby, Secretary

Minutes typed by Barbara Kaaikala, (Recording Secretary)