

Charter Township of Filer  
**PLANNING COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**  
October 17, 2023  
Filer Township Hall, 2505 Filer City Road, Manistee, MI 49660

Present: Karen Kolk, Jennifer Williams, Glenn Mandeville, Roger Dittmer, Shirley Ball, Donald Kuk, Kathy Gutowski

Absent: None

Also present: Larry Thompson, Zoning Administrator and Richard Wilson, Township Attorney

Meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Chairperson Williams with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Motion by Kuk, seconded by Gutowski to approve the meeting agenda as presented. All in favor. M/C

Motion by Kuk, seconded by Mandeville to approve the September 19, 2023 regular meeting minutes as presented. All in favor. M/C

Presentation by Bill Kennis, Manistee County Grant Administrator:

Regarding Rail Roads in area. \$120 million to replace 3 bridges that are over 100 years old. \$80 million to build a bridge across southern end of Manistee Lake. He provided the Planning Commission with detailed plan for relocating rail liners also included his report summary.

Discussion on permits in commercial areas:

Lack of information regarding how/when changes of ownership occur and what business is being done. Zoning Administrator will send letter to new occupants asking information on their business.

Discussion on changes to ORV ordinance:

Add Mee St., Grant St., and Nelson St. from 21<sup>st</sup> St. to Filer City Road to ordinance 2021-2 to align with map.

Reports:

Zoning Administrator: Reviewed activity report for August. Gave information on PVC conversation from coal to wood chips.

Supervisors Report: No report.

Zoning Board of Appeals: No report.

Board of Trustees: Regular meeting minutes from October 3, 2023 were reviewed.

Downtown Development Authority: Regular meeting minutes from October 3, 2023 were reviewed. DDA Director's Report for October 2023 was reviewed.

Communications: None

Public Comment: None

Any Other Business: None

Motion by Kuk, seconded by Gutowski to adjourn the meeting. All in favor. M/C

Meeting adjourned at 7:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Roger Dittmer, Secretary  
Charter Township of Filer Planning Commission