

Charter Township of Filer
PLANNING COMMISSION RESCHEDULED REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

January 23, 2023

Filer Township Hall, 2505 Filer City Road, Manistee, MI 49660

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

Absent: Jennifer Williams

Also present: Larry Thompson, Zoning Administrator

Meeting was called to order at 4:00 p.m. by Vice Chairman Mandeville with the pledge of allegiance.

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

Election of Planning Commission Officers for 2024:

Nominations for the office of Chairman were opened. Kuk nominated Jennifer Williams. Vice Chairman Mandeville called for any more nominations.

Motion by Kuk, seconded by Gutowski, to elect Jennifer Williams as Chairman. All in favor. M/C

Nominations for the office of Vice Chairman were opened. Kuk nominated Mandeville. Vice Chairman Mandeville called for any more nominations.

Motion by Kuk, seconded by Kolk, to elect Mandeville as Vice Chairman. All in favor. M/C

Nominations for the office of Secretary were opened. Gutowski nominated Dittmer. Vice Chairman Mandeville called for any more nominations.

Motion by Gutowski, seconded by Kuk, to elect Dittmer as Secretary. All in favor. M/C

Motion by Kuk, seconded by Mandeville to approve the December 19, 2023 regular meeting minutes, correcting Motion for 2024 meeting schedule: seconded by Kolk not Kuk. All in favor. M/C

Reports:

Zoning Administrator: Presented monthly zoning report. Ordinance revisions presented by the attorney and will be discussed at the February meeting:

- AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 31 OF THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF FILER CODE OF ORDINANCES BY ADDING AND DELETING CERTAIN NEW DEFINITIONS; BY INCREASING THE REQUISITE SETBACK OF FENCES FOR PENS, CORRALS, OR SIMILAR ENCLOSURES IN THE MEDIUM DENSITY RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT; BY CHANGING CERTAIN SECTIONS TO INCLUDE THE TERM "PARCEL"; AND BY REPEALING ALL ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT HEREWITH.
- AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 31 OF THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF FILER CODE OF ORDINANCES BY ADDING ARTICLE 78; TO ESTABLISH AN OVERLAY DISTRICT COVERING PARCELS ON THE LAKE MICHIGAN LAKEFRONT; TO PROVIDE REGULATIONS RELEVANT TO LAKEFRONT PROPERTIES; AND TO REPEAL ALL ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT HEREWITH.
- AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 31, ARTICLE 10, SECTION 31.10.1070 AND ARTICLE 37, SECTION 31.37.3703 OF THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF FILER CODE OF ORDINANCES, AS AMENDED, TO CLARIFY REGULATIONS RELATING TO ACCESSORY STRUCTURES IN WATERFRONT YARDS AND TO INCLUDE A NEW ACCESSORY SPECIAL USE TO PERMIT SALES OF GOODS AT ROADSIDE STANDS NOT PRODUCED ON THE SAME LAND AS THE STAND, AND TO REPEAL ALL ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT HEREWITH.

Supervisors Report: No report

Zoning Board of Appeals: None

Board of Trustees: Regular meeting minutes from January 2, 2024 were reviewed.

Downtown Development Authority: Regular meeting minutes from January 2, 2024 were reviewed.

Communications: None

Public Comment: Bill Kennis, Manistee County Grant Writer, reporting hoping to have a route preference from Packaging Corp. regarding the railroad relocation to enable an information meeting at the February 20, 2024 Planning Commission meeting.

Any Other Business: None

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

Meeting adjourned at 4:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Roger Dittmer, Secretary
Charter Township of Filer Planning Commission