

Charter Township of Filer  
**PLANNING COMMISSION PUBLIC HEARING MEETING MINUTES**

February 20, 2024

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

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

Absent: None

Also present: Larry Thompson, Zoning Administrator; Timothy Figura, Township Attorney

Meeting was called to order at 5:45 p.m. by Chairman Williams with the pledge of allegiance.

Special Use Permit request for:

Thomas and Donna Nowak  
South Wildwood Road  
Manistee County, Michigan  
Parcel: 51-06-134-400-01

Purpose of this hearing is for public comment regarding a Special Use Permit to construct a 14ft. x 28ft. storage building for equipment and supplies related to forest and wildlife management without a main dwelling in the Forest Recreational District located on Wildwood Road, Manistee, Michigan, Charter Township of Filer, Parcel 51-06-134-400-01.

Larry Thompson gave a findings-of-fact report on the special use permit request.

Discussion: Forest/Recreational District: The Filer Township Zoning Ordinance provides for certain uses with a special use permit. One of the allowed special uses is "all buildings and structures accessory and incidental to permitted uses in this district". This means that an accessory structure may be allowed provided that it is incidental or accessory to one of the permitted uses in the district, and subject to obtaining a special use permit. The Forest Recreational District allows the following permitted uses which might be relevant to this request: A. Public or private forest preserve, game refuge, golf course. B. Public and private conservation area and structure for the development, protection and conservation of open space, watersheds, water, soil, forest and wildlife resources.

Two written comments received and are made a part of these minutes.

One verbal public comment: Don Miller, neighbor, has no problem, property has been in the Nowak family for years.

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

Meeting adjourned at 6:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Roger Dittmer, Secretary  
Charter Township of Filer Planning Commission