

**PLANNING COMMISSION
ERIE TOWNSHIP
ERIE, MICHIGAN
Regular Meeting and Public Hearing
November 17, 2022**

1. CALL TO ORDER

Bill Jacobs called to order the Regular Meeting and Public Hearing of the Erie Township Planning Commission on November 17, 2022 at 7:00 pm at the Erie Township Hall, Erie Michigan.

2. ROLL CALL

Bill Jacobs	Present
Dave Cousino	Present
Dr. Larry Guinn	Present
Dan Taylor	Absent-Excused
Paul Perry	Present
Robert Schwartz	Present
Manny Evola	Present

Also present: Mike Demski and Recording Secretary, Kristine Crammond.

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was said.

4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

- Paul Perry made a motion to approve the agenda. Robert Schwartz seconded. Motion carried.

5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- Dr. Larry Guinn made a motion to approve the minutes from the October 18, 2022 Planning Commission meeting. Paul Perry seconded. Motion carried.

6. PUBLIC COMMENTS AND COMMUNICATIONS

A. Public Comments

Diane La Plante- 1324 Sterns Road -thanked the Planning Commission and Mike Demski for all their hard work on Solar.

B. Budget report

- Paul Perry made a motion to approve the budget ending October 31, 2022 and place on file. Manny Evola seconded. Motion carried.

7. PUBLIC HEARING

- Paul Perry made a motion to close the Regular Meeting. Robert Schwartz seconded. Regular Meeting closed at 7:01 pm.
- Paul Perry made a motion to open the Public Hearing. Manny Evola seconded. Public Hearing opened at 7:01 pm.

Proposed change to update table 10-2, Permitted Principal Uses in All Districts, to permit Commercial stables, hunt clubs, outdoor or indoor shooting ranges and campgrounds, as a Special Use in the C-W Waterfront Commercial zoning district. The Planning Commissioners discussed the wording regarding

archery and gun ranges. There was discussion about not allowing Commercial Stables in the Waterfront Commercial zoning district.

- Paul Perry made a motion to close the Public Hearing. Dr. Larry Guinn seconded. Public Hearing closed at 7:18 pm.
- Paul Perry made a motion to open the Regular Meeting. Manny Evola seconded. Regular Meeting opened at 7:18 pm.
- Paul Perry made a motion to approve the changes as submitted with regard to table 10-2 which is Permitted Principal Uses in all districts to allow as a Special Use in the C-W Waterfront Commercial zoning district. Robert Schwartz seconded. Dave Cousino opposed. **Motion carried. Majority in favor.**

8. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

A. 3949 Luna Pier Road-Truckstop – Parcel 58-05-010-002-00

Mike Demski stated currently there is no new information regarding the Truckstop.

Terry Rollins – 3901 Lakewood road attended the meeting. He is concerned about constant light at his home from truck traffic turning into the Truckstop. Mike Demski stated more trees could be added to fill in the openings in the landscaping. The Planning Commissioners discussed fencing, smaller bushes or panels that are staggered to help eliminate any light pollution. Mike Demski will be in contact with the Truckstop owners.

9. NEW BUSINESS

None

10. PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

11. COMMENTS FROM MEMBERS

Dr. Larry Guinn commented that Cindy Wisbon (Township Board) asked the Planning Commission to look for areas in the Township suitable for Industrial. Dr. Guinn thanked the Township Board for agreeing with the Planning Commission's recommendation to place Solar Generating Power Plants in Industrial only.

12. MEETING DATES

Township Board meeting	Tuesday, December 13, 2022	7pm.
Planning Commission meeting	Tuesday, December 20, 2022	7pm.

13. ADJOURNMENT

Paul Perry made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Robert Schwartz seconded. Meeting adjourned at 7:38 pm.

Respectfully Submitted

Kristine Crammond
Recording Secretary