

**PLANNING COMMISSION
ERIE TOWNSHIP
ERIE, MICHIGAN
Regular Meeting
January 17, 2023
CORRECTED**

1. CALL TO ORDER

Bill Jacobs called to order the Regular Meeting of the Erie Township Planning Commission on January 17, 2023 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	Present
Paul Perry	Present
Robert Schwartz	Present
Manny Evola	Present

Also present: Mike Demski and Recording Secretary, Kim Cousino.

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Paul Perry moved supported by Manny Evola to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried.

5. ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Manny Evola moved supported by Dr. Larry Guinn to appoint Bill Jacobs as chairperson. Motion carried.

Manny Evola moved supported by Paul Perry to appoint Danny Taylor as vice-chairperson. Motion carried.

Manny Evola moved supported by Dave Cousino to appoint Paul Perry as secretary. Motion carried.

6. COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS – ORDINANCE UPDATES COMMITTEE

Bill Jacobs stated this is a sub-committee of three commissioners that will meet to review ordinances and the masterplan and report back to the planning commission as a whole with recommendations.

Paul Perry moved supported by Bob Schwartz to appoint permanent sub-committee members Bill Jacobs, Manny Evola, Paul Perry, alternate member is Dr. Larry Guinn. Motion carried.

7. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Manny Evola moved supported by Paul Perry to accept the November 17, 2022 meeting minutes as presented. Motion carried.

8. PUBLIC COMMENTS AND COMMUNICATIONS

A. Communications

- Kristine Crammond retirement
- Email memo from Township Board – Clerk Kim Cousino

Paul Perry moved supported by Dave Cousino to accept and place on file communications. Motion carried.

Paul Perry moved supported by Danny Taylor to proceed with a certificate of recognition for Kristine Crammond. Motion carried.

B. Budget Report

Paul Perry moved supported by Bob Schwartz to accept and place on file the budget report. Motion carried.

C. Public Comment

Diane La Plante asked if there is a deadline for letters of interests to be turned in for the recording secretary. Kim Cousino responded that there is not a deadline.

Cindy Wisbon asked that the planning commission review the rules, regulations, and restrictions that relate to the proposed zoning ordinance amendment and uses of commercial stables, hunt clubs, outdoor or indoor shooting ranges, and campgrounds. Paul Perry responded that Article **11.14** addresses the guidelines on all of those uses individually.

9. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None

10. NEW BUSINESS

A. Proposed change to update table 10-2 – As requested by the Township Board

Paul Perry moved supported by Bob Schwartz to accept table 10-2 as presented and to hold a public hearing at the next regularly scheduled meeting, February 21, 2023. Motion carried.

B. Master Plan – last adopted November 13, 2018

Mike Demski stated that the master plan needs to be reviewed every five years, he asked the commissioners to review the plan and to report any suggestions, concerns, or changes to him or to a sub-committee member.

11. PUBLIC COMMENT

Diane La Plante commented on short term rental concerns brought to the township board by a citizen.

12. COMMENTS FROM MEMBERS

Dr. Larry Guinn asked if Kim Cousino can look into the status on the historical marker that was removed on South Dixie Hwy. marking the location of the Michigan/Toledo War for restoration by the Monroe County Historical Society.

13. MEETING DATES

Township Board – Tuesday February 14, 2023

Planning Commission – Tuesday February 21, 2023

14. ADJOURNMENT

Paul Perry moved supported by Manny Evola to adjourn at 7:35 p.m. Meeting adjourned.

Kimberly Cousino
Recording Secretary