

**PLANNING COMMISSION
ERIE TOWNSHIP
ERIE, MICHIGAN
Regular Meeting
April 18, 2023**

1. CALL TO ORDER

Bill Jacobs called to order the Regular Meeting of the Erie Township Planning Commission on April 18, 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

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

5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Larry Guinn moved, supported by Dave Cousino to approve the February 21, 2023 meeting minutes as presented. Motion carried.

6. PUBLIC COMMENTS AND COMMUNICATIONS

A. Public Comment

Jeanette Capler – 10046 Baycreek Rd. – Owner of Baycreek & Co. stated they are interested in purchasing a piece of property to expand their business to. The property she is considering is currently zoned AC and it would need to be re-zoned to commercial, she asked the planning commission if they would consider that request. Bill Jacobs stated they are not to do ‘spot zoning’ and advised her to complete and submit zoning application for them to review.

B. Budget Report

Larry Guinn moved, supported by Paul Perry to accept and place on file the budget report. Motion carried.

C. Updated Zoning Ordinance

Mike Demski informed the commissioners that they each have a copy of the most recent zoning ordinance for their files.

7. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

A. 3949 Luna Pier Rd. – Station/Truckstop – Parcel 5805-010-002-00

Mike Demski stated that he has nothing new to report on this project, he has been emailing the owners regarding the driveway/entrance but they are still working with the road commission and MDOT.

8. NEW BUSINESS

A. Special Use and Site Plan Request for Marina/Campground: 2899 Algonquin – Parcel 5805-033-007-00, Timothy and Candy Whitmarsh

Mike Demski provided the commissioners with the special use and site plan for the marina/campground. Discussion was held. Mike Demski informed the commissioners that a public hearing needs to be scheduled for this request.

Danny Taylor moved, supported by Bob Schwartz to schedule the public hearing for the special use request from Timothy and Candy Whitmarsh for May 16, 2023 at 7:00 p.m. Motion carried.

9. PUBLIC COMMENT

Diane La Plante complimented Tim and Candy on all the work they've put into their site plans as well as the planning commission.

10. COMMENTS FROM MEMBERS

None

11. MEETING DATES

Township Board – Tuesday, May 9, 2023

Planning Commission – Tuesday, May 16, 2023

12. ADJOURNMENT

Danny Taylor moved, supported by Paul Perry to adjourn at 7:40 p.m. Meeting adjourned.

Kimberly Cousino
Recording Secretary