

PLANNING COMMISSION
Minutes for Regular Meeting of
April 1, 2021

PRESENT Commissioners Dave Roesler, Mike Holman, John Warner, Maribeth Picard and William Josephson.

ALSO PRESENT Zoning Administrator Jensen, Recording Secretary Sally Dion and 2 interested parties.

NOT PRESENT Ina Ray and John Gloster (excused).

CALL TO ORDER Chairperson Roesler called the April 1, 2021 meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. and led those in attendance in the Pledge of Allegiance.

AGENDA Motion by Commissioner Warner, second from Commissioner Picard, **ADOPTED**, to accept the agenda as written.

5 AYES, 2 ABSENT

NOMINATIONS:

Motion by Commissioner Josephson, second from Commissioner Holman, **ADOPTED**, to nominate David Roesler as Chairperson, John Warner as Vice Chairman and John Gloster as Secretary.

5 AYES, 2 ABSENT

Motion by Commissioner Josephson, second from Commissioner Holman, **ADOPTED**, to close nominations and to re-elect David Roesler as Chairperson, John Warner as Vice Chairman and John Gloster as Secretary.

5 AYES, 2 ABSENT

MINUTES Motion by Commissioner Josephson, second from Commissioner Warner, **ADOPTED**, to accept the November 5, 2020, Meeting Minutes as written.

5 AYES, 2 ABSENT

PUBLIC COMMENT None

OLD BUSINESS

1. Master Plan Review/Update, Survey Results

Chairperson Roesler stated we are still waiting for the updated Census information to finish the document portion of the plan. He believes that pie charts will make it quicker to see the information, he will talk with John Gloster about this. He advised that not all the comments are Planning Commission related and need to be filtered out. Commissioners Josephson and Warner said they are part of the stair/platform subcommittee and will work on the comments when they meet. Chairperson Roesler advised Commissioners that Secretary Dion will continue to search for updated Census information and get the document finished as soon as possible.

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2. Barn Weddings/Special Events

Chairperson Roesler advised he had nothing new to report. He is possibly thinking about getting ahold of a Planning Consultant. He said he did speak with Attorney Even, if they are collecting money to do it, it is not allowed. If a family member is getting married and not being charged, they are not regulated.

3. Stairs/platforms Sub-Committee

The sub-committee has not met because of the Covid restrictions. Commissioner Warner said they will get a meeting set up.

Chairperson Roesler stated the sub-committee will be proposing language to amend the Ordinance to make compatible with the Building Code. He suggested looking at neighboring townships regulations.

Chairperson Roesler commented that the Township Board of Trustees is looking at options for Township owned parcels located in the Lakewood Additions Lots located on Whitehall Road in the Manufactured Home Park District because otherwise the Township has to pay taxes on the parcels. Commissioner Josephson asked if you have to have this type of zoning. Chairperson Roesler responded, no, however, you can't not allow but you can regulate by designating an area such as this district.

Motion by Commissioner Warner, second from Commissioner Holman, **ADOPTED**, to suspend session to let Supervisor Jeff Marcinkowski speak.

5 AYES, 2 ABSENT

Supervisor Marcinkowski said that Grand Valley has a statistics department that can do surveys, they need one year in advance notice, we would provide paper, postage and they do everything else. They can also formulate the questions if wanted. He also asked about the regulations for Marijuana. Chairperson Roesler asked him to review the Regulatory Ordinance regarding Prohibition of Marijuana Establishments and to check with Attorney Even.

Motion by Commissioner Warner, second from Commissioner Holman, **ADOPTED**, to return to session.

5 AYES, 2 ABSENT

PLANNING/ZONING UPDATES

Commissioner Warner reports that Zoning Board of Appeals has not met, however, they will be meeting April 12, 2021 on one application.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Commissioner Holman, second from Commissioner Josephson, **ADOPTED**, to **ADJOURN**, the April 1, 2021 regular meeting at 7:00 p.m.

5 AYES, 2 ABSENT

Respectfully Submitted,

Sally Dion, Recording Secretary
Township of Fruitland