

Charter Township of Oscoda

Planning Commission

Meeting Minutes

April 3, 2023 6PM

Robert J. Parks Public Library

6010 Skeel Ave

Oscoda, MI 48750

- 1) **CALL TO ORDER**
Jeff Linderman, Chair, called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM.
- 2) **Pledge of Allegiance**
- 3) **WELCOME GUEST** – Mr. Linderman welcomed guests to the meeting.
- 4) **ROLL CALL**
Present – Mr. Palmer, Mr. Tasiar, Mr. Schulz, Ms. Beckner, Ms. Mackenzie, Ms. Hopcroft, Mr. Linderman
Absent – None
Quorum –Mr. Linderman determined a quorum present.
- 5) **APPROVAL of Meeting Minutes-**
 - i. **Planning Commission Regular Meeting Minutes March 6, 2023-** Mr. Palmer made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Supported by Mr. Linderman. Roll call vote. All in favor.
 - ii. **Planning Commission Special Meeting Minutes March 16, 2023-** Ms. Mackenzie made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Supported by Mr. Schulz. Roll call vote. All in favor.
- 6) **AGENDA – Additions, Corrections & Approval –**
 - iii. Mr. Palmer made a motion to approve the agenda as presented. Supported by Ms. Hopcroft. Roll call vote. All in favor.
- 7) **PUBLIC COMMENT –**
 - i. Brian Haley, Oscoda MI, spoke about the MNRTF Grant Program and the importance of it
- 8) **OLD BUSINESS –**
 - i. **2022 Case Updates (For informational purposes only)**
 - 202-2022 Steve & Cathy Wusterbarth- SLUP for Accessory Structure- **Approved, Construction not yet started, Land Use Permit Extended per applicants' request.**
 - 902-2022 & 903-2022 Enviro Analytical- SLUP's for Marihuana Safety Compliance Facilities- **Progressing through licensing process**
 - 205-2022 AuSable Developments- SLUP for Apartments- **Preliminary Site Plan Approved, pending final Site Plan review.**
 - 906-2022 Great Green North- SLUP for Class B Grow Facility- **Preliminary approval given, progressing through licensing process.**
 - 103-2022 John Hedstrom- Site Plan Review- **Preliminary approval given.**
 - ii. **Parks & Rec Plan Discussion**

- a. Mr. Linderman stated that he asked Ms. Vallette to put this topic on the agenda. In the Parks & Rec Plan, there is a statement in the plan that says the Parks & Rec Plan falls under the guidance of the Planning Commission. Mr. Linderman wondered what obligations the board had to make sure the goals are being achieved.
- b. Mr. Tasior stated that there is a Parks & Rec Director that isn't mentioned in the plan. He stated that there is a committee that was established by the Board of Trustees with the Parks & Rec Director, Superintendent and Zoning Director.
- c. Ms. Vallette and Ms. Kline will look for that resolution and bring further information back to the board at the May meeting.

iii. 2022 Master Plan Action Items and Goals Sub-Committee Discussion

- a. Mr. Tasior made a motion to rename the Sub-Committee to Master Plan Action Items and Goals Sub-Committee. Supported by Mr. Linderman. Roll call vote. All in favor.

9) NEW BUSINESS –

i. Case 103-2023 Site Plan Review

- a. Ms. Vallette read Case 103-2023 details to the board. The proposed poultry shed with 8 chickens is to go on parcel 064-H60-000-048-00 on Oceana St. The property is zoned R-1. The proposed structure is to be 15 feet or more from the side lot line and 56 feet from the road.
- b. Ms. Hopcroft confirmed that the applicant was not proposing to have any roosters. He is not as they are not allowed per the Ordinance.
- c. Mr. Tasior asked about the containment of the food. The applicant will store it in the garage. Mr. Tasior asked about waste disposal. The applicant will use it in their garden.
- d. The applicant stated that he didn't feel any of the neighbors would have a problem with the Chickens.
- e. Mr. Schulz clarified that the poultry shed would not encroach on the easement on the property.
- f. Mr. Tasior made a motion to approve Case 103-2023 as submitted as it meets the standards of approval. Supported by Mr. Schulz. Roll call vote. All in favor.

11) Report of the Zoning Board of Appeals Representative

- i. Mr. Schulz stated that there were two Variance requests approved at the last ZBA meeting.

12) Report of the Township Board Representative

- i. Mr. Palmer stated the Township Board approved 6 façade grant applications.
- ii. The Township Board approved aerial mapping of Old Orchard Park.
- iii. The Township Board approved 4 Ordinance Amendments.
- iv. A resolution was passed to put Furtaw Field on the Non-Disposable list.
- v. Mr. Palmer also talked about some activity going on at the Airport.

13) Report of the Planning Commission Sub-Committees

- i. Ms. Hopcroft stated that the Master Plan Sub-Committee hasn't met since the last meeting. She did request some additional members for the committee. Mr. Tasior stated that it would be a good idea to wait until June elections.
- ii. Mr. Tasior stated that the Ordinance Revision Sub-Committee hasn't met since the last meeting.

14) Report of the Economic Improvement Committee

- i. Mr. Tasior stated that the façade grants were approved and what locations were approved.

15) Comments of Planning Commission members

- i. Mr. Tasior spoke about the training session he attended “Making Good Decisions Together”, it was very good training.
- ii. Mr. Tasior suggested talking to Jon Mayes or someone from the DNR to bring training for the MNRTF Grants to Oscoda.
- iii. Mr. Tasior stated that since we are getting more requests for Chickens, could it actually be handled by the Administrator rather than go in front of the Planning Commission. An Ordinance Revision Sub-Committee will be set up to work on that.
- iv. Ms. Hopcroft spoke about the Housing Seminar she will be attending in Gaylord. Ms. Vallette will forward the email to the other members to sign up.
- v. Mr. Palmer spoke about grants and why the one at the Beach Park was not awarded.
- vi. Mr. Palmer stated this could be his last Planning Commission meeting. Once a new trustee is appointed, the Board will appoint trustees to open positions.
- vii. Mr. Linderman spoke on the MNRTF Grants, and what was previously awarded and wanting to have shelf ready projects for when grants come up.

16) Report of the Zoning Administrator

- i. Ms. Vallette talked about the two training sessions she is working with MAP to bring to Oscoda in June.

Declaring no further business, Mr. Linderman adjourned the meeting at 6:57 PM.

Jeff Linderman - Chair

Date

Nichole Vallette – Planning & Zoning Director