Regular Meeting of the Lee Township Planning Commission Tuesday, November 23, 2021

Mari Spraull called the meeting to order at 7:13 p.m. Present: Mary Spraull, Lawrence Henry, Mike Glynn and Kathy Weaver. Marie Hickerson had an excused absence due to a family emergency.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Mary outlined the following changes to the agenda: change in the order of old/unfinished business before new business, under new business she added modifying bylaws. Mike moved to approve the agenda with changes, Lawrence seconded the motion. The agenda was approved.

Approval of the October 2021 minutes was tabled until the December meeting.

Tracy Anderson from Makaylah's House lead a discussion for a pre application of zoning changes for 236 N. 8 Mile, Midland, MI 48640. Although all members of the planning commission felt Makaylah's project is a worthwhile idea, the property in question cannot be rezoned since that would be a "spot" zoning which is essentially illegal.

Correspondence: Mari with a person looking at property in Lee and Midland Townships to open a sewer and foundation sealing business. He is considering property on the corner of Gordonville and M-30. We had a Wireless Communications Facility Site Plan review that was sent to the commission that had the incorrect fee schedule so Mari sent them the proper forms to complete. Mari briefly discussed the retreat she had attended through the MTA.

Unfinished Business: Lawrence requested that the commission change the meeting date for our December meeting. The commission changed the date of the December meeting to Wednesday, December 15. The commission will look at changing the days of the regular meeting in December for 2022.

New Business: Dan Childs had emailed the commission regarding suggestions some areas of "void" that we consider. One suggestion was the order we consider order of business: welcome, pledge, etc. Under A: moved the Schedule of Meetings to "B". He also recommended we insert under the meeting policy statement that Roberts Rules of Order will prevail as parliamentary procedures and pertain to the Planning Commission meetings. Also under notices (D), we are adding "Notices of public meetings shall be prepared, published and mailed in compliance with the applicable provisions of the Michigan Zoning and Enabling Act. Finally under agenda, using the new verbiage: Unfinished rather than "old", using the new categories.

Mari put forth a plan to form an advisory committee for the Planning Commission consisting of Rick Payne, Doris French and herself. Under the Michigan Planning and Enabling Act of 2008, a Planning Commission can appoint an advisory committees whose members are not members of the Planning Committee. Mari sited several opportunities for this type of committee could be responsible for accomplishing. The committee will operate solely at the discretion of the Planning Commission. Mike made a motion to form an advisory committee, Lawrence seconded. Roll call vote: Lawrence, yes; Mari, yes; Mike, yes; Kathy, no. The motion passed.

Public comment started at 8:30 p.m. Public comment ended at 8:37 p.m.

Mari moved to adjourn the meeting, Lawrence seconded. The motion passed, the meeting was adjourned.