

July 25, 2023

PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES

This being a regular session, the meeting was called to order at 2:02 p.m. by Chairperson Tasior.

Commissioners Present: Rogalski, Tasior, Finley, and Wesley.

Absent: Yorke.

Vacant: None.

Also Present: Jamie Carruthers-Soboleski, County Controller/Finance Director; Kathleen Murphy, Board Secretary/Housing Director

CALL TO ORDER/ROLLCALL/PLEDGE OF ALLIGANCE

APPROVAL OF WORK SESSION MINUTES AND PLANNING COMMISSION MINUTES

Regular Session Minutes – June 20, 2023

Rogalski motions to approve the Regular Session Minutes dated June 20, 2023 and Finley seconds.

Carried on the following roll call: Ayes: Rogalski, Tasior, Finley, and Wesley. Nays: None. Abstain: None. Absent: Yorke. Vacant: None.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA – Additions, Corrections, & Approval

Tasior motions to approve the agenda and Finley seconds.

Carried on the following roll call: Ayes: Rogalski, Tasior, Finley, and Wesley. Nays: None. Abstain: None. Absent: Yorke. Vacant: None.

PUBLIC COMMENT (For Scheduled and Non-Scheduled Agenda Items)

None.

SCHEDULED PUBLIC HEARING

None.

OLD BUSINESS

Approving the RFP for Updating the Master Plan

There are a few typos in the RFP. Rogalski would like page numbers to be added. Jamie Carruthers-Soboleski, County Controller/Finance Director, informed the board that the grant opened yesterday and there should be enough funding for all those applying. However, a budget will be needed for the cost of the Master Plan update and the Housing Study. The board discussed that Master Plan update budgets can vary between \$45,000.00 to \$70,000.00. Tasior suggested reaching out to Tammy Kline from Oscoda Township. She has recently finished a Housing Study. Carruthers-Soboleski will meet with the grant writer tomorrow at 1:30.

NEW BUSINESS

Projects to Keep Track of

The Planning Commission would like updates regarding the MI-Hope Grant and the Child Care Coalition project.

The Planning Commission will start on an RFP for the Housing Study for Iosco County.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Iosco County Airport Advisory Board

Rogalski attended the July 11th meeting. The Iosco County Airport is very well maintained. The Fly-in was well received and served around 400 breakfasts. There were around 20 airplanes there. Rogalski does have two main concerns: 1) Lack of internet and not enough Federal funding. 2) A private owner is trying to build a cabin at the end of a runway. They have to have a red light on top. Baldwin Township will have a public hearing regarding the matter.

Carruthers-Soboleski will ask the Iosco County Board of Commissioners to reinstate the Planning Commission's right to review the municipalities zoning ordinances and Master Plan updates.

Tasior suggests contacting Jason with Rowe Engineering for Enabling Act Training cost.

Iosco County Parks and Recreation Commission

Parks and Recreation have finished grooming and are out of grant money. They have requested an amendment to the grant to continue grooming in the amount of \$7,000.00. They have purchased an electric power washer. Their fund balance is good. Parks and Recreation is receiving a draft map of the trails from EMCOG.

Whittemore is revamping their community building. Grant Township's pickle ball plot is actually privately owned.

Oscoda Township has a new motorize ordinance as E-bikes are bringing about certain issues.

COMMENTS OF PLANNING COMMISSION MEMBERS

Finley – What is the medical response like on the trails? Tasior offered some information on what Oscoda Township’s first response is like.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT

Kathleen Murphy, Board Secretary/Housing Director updated the Board on the MI-HOPE grant.

Tawas City is updating their Master Plan. Tasior recommends discussing the Master Plan as a group. Murphy will email the Board when the Master Plan becomes available and then schedule the meeting accordingly.

The next meeting will be August 22, 2023 at 2 p.m. Murphy will set quarterly meetings.

MISCELLANEOUS MATTERS

None.

ADJOURNMENT

The business for the day having been addressed, meeting adjourned at 2:56 p.m. until 2:00 p.m. August 22, 2023. Motioned by Rogalski and seconded by Finley. All ayes. Motion carried.

Respectfully:

**Kathleen M. Murphy
Board Secretary/Housing Director**

NEXT REGULAR MEETING SCHEDULED FOR August 22, 2023