

Ida Township Planning Commission
Monthly Meeting Minutes
January 14, 2020

Ida Township
3016 Lewis Avenue
Ida, MI 48144

Members:

Mark Metz, Chairman
Pete Loughney
Elmer Bowman
Steve Biela
Tammi Kamprath

Staff:

Dave Friend, Zoning Administrator
John Enos, Planning Consultant
Sheila Myers, Planning Secretary

1. **CALL TO ORDER:** M. Metz called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance.
2. **ROLL CALL:** Present: Mark Metz, Steve Biela, Pete Loughney, Elmer Bowman and Tammi Kamprath.

Special Guests: Paul Metz, Township Supervisor; Dave Friend, Zoning Administrator; and J. Enos, Planning Consultant.
3. **PUBLIC COMMENT:** none.
4. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** The minutes of the October 8, 2019 meeting were reviewed and discussed. Motion made by P. Loughney to approve the minutes as printed, with support by S. Biela. Motion carried.
5. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA:** The agenda was reviewed. Motion made by S. Biela to approve the agenda as printed, with support by P. Loughney. Motion carried.
6. **SCHEDULED PUBLIC HEARINGS:** none.
7. **REPORT OF PLANNING CONSULTANT:** none.
8. **BUSINESS ITEMS:**
 - A. **Old Business:**
 1. Solar Energy. J. Enos presented his recommended changes to the Ordinance. Reviewed and discussed. J. Enos said he would look into potential changes with regard to wind energy and report back to the Commission with his additional recommendations. P. Loughney made a motion to table the issue with support from T. Kamprath. Motion approved.
 2. Commercial Parking Lots. J. Enos presented his recommendations for changes to the Ordinance. Reviewed and discussed. S. Biela made a motion to table the issue, with support from P. Loughney. Motion carried.

3. Ordinance Text Changes. The Ordinance Book was updated with the text changes, approved in September 11 2018 and October 9, 2018. Copies were provided to the Commissioners in order to update their copy of the Ordinance book.

B. New Business:

1. Election of Officers. S. Biela nominated M. Metz for Chairman and made a motion to cast a unanimous ballot with support from E. Bowman. All in favor. Motion carried. T. Kamprath made a motion to keep previous officers in place with support from E. Bowman. All in favor. Motion carried.
M. Metz, Chairman
S. Biela, Vice Chairman
P. Loughney, Secretary
2. Meeting Schedule and Time. P. Loughney made a motion to keep the schedule for the Planning Commission meetings every 2nd Tuesday of the month at 7:00 P.M. S. Biela seconded the motion. All in favor. Motion carried.
3. Matthes Event Barn – Request to Amend Special Land Use Permit. Discussed procedures for amending a special use permit.

9. OPEN DISCUSSION FOR ISSUES NOT ON AGENDA:

Correspondence received. none.

Planning Commission Members.

10. REPORT OF TOWNSHIP BOARD REPRESENTATIVE: E. Bowman updated the Commission about the road projects in the Township. P. Metz also provided information with regards to upcoming road projects.

11. REPORT OF ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS REPRESENTATIVE: none.

12. OTHER MATTERS: J. Enos informed the Commission of the upcoming annual Michigan Township Association meeting in April in Traverse City.

13. ADJOURNMENT: T. Kamprath made a motion to adjourn with support by P. Loughney. All in favor. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:56 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by:
Sheila Myers, Recording Secretary