



**RAISINVILLE TOWNSHIP PLANNING
COMMISSION MINUTES
July 17, 2023**

CALL TO ORDER

A meeting of the Raisinville Township Planning Commission was called to order by Vice-Chairman Craig Assenmacher at 7:00 p.m. on Monday, July 17, 2023. Craig led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL

Tom Woelmer, Keith Henderson Craig Assenmacher, Ryan Timiney, Catherine Acerboni and Ann Nickel-Swinkey were present, along with Township Planner, Lucie Fortin. John Delmotte was excused.

APPROVAL of MINUTES

Motion to approve the minutes of the June 19, 2023 meeting and place on file by Keith, **Supported** by Ryan. **Motion carried.**

NEW BUSINESS: Public Hearing:

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN, that the hearing will be to hear public comments on the proposed amendments to the following articles and sections of the Raisinville Township Zoning Ordinance:

- Article 3 General Provisions, to modify Section 3.21 Performance Standards to add regulations.
- Article 4 AG, Agricultural District, to specify recreation use and campgrounds in place of public and private recreation uses under uses permitted with special approval and to correct other sections throughout the ordinance as necessary to reflect the revised terminology.
- Article 4 AG, Agricultural District; Article 7, C-1 Local Commercial District; Article 8, C-2 General Commercial District; Article 9, C-3 Restricted Commercial District, to list the Uses not Otherwise Included within Specific Use Districts under uses permitted with special approval.
- Article 15 Supplementary District Regulations, to re-name Section 15.05 Recreation Use, and modify Section 15.07 Uses not Otherwise Included within Specific Use Districts, and its subsections in order to further define uses permitted with special approval

Motion to open public hearing regarding: Article 3 General Provisions, to modify Section 3.21 Performance Standards to add regulations. • Article 4 AG, Agricultural District, to specify recreation use and campgrounds in place of public and private recreation uses under uses permitted with special approval and to correct other sections throughout the ordinance as necessary to reflect the revised terminology. • Article 4 AG, Agricultural District; Article 7, C-1 Local Commercial District; Article 8, C-2 General Commercial District; Article 9, C-3 Restricted Commercial District, to list the Uses not Otherwise Included within Specific Use Districts under uses permitted with special approval. • Article 15 Supplementary District Regulations, to re-name Section 15.05 Recreation Use, and modify Section 15.07 Uses not Otherwise Included within Specific Use Districts, and its subsections in order to further define uses permitted with special approval by Ann, **Supported** by Tom. **Motion Carried.**

Lucie gave a brief summary of the changes made.

Vice-Chairman Assenmacher opened the floor to Public Comment.

Dan Rigato, 5034 N Custer, Monroe MI. asked about the Nuisance Ordinance that the Township Board adopted at the July 5, 2023 meeting regarding the term "Farm". Trustee Woelmer clarified C (5) states: Any agricultural use or farm animals kept and maintained in accordance with Michigan Right to Farm Act 93 of 1981, as amended.



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Melissa Wines, 10585 Stewart Rd, asked when this will go into effect. Craig explained they are a recommending board to the Township Board. They will make their own decision, and if approved by them it must be published in the paper and becomes effective 7 days after publication.

Motion to close public hearing by Tom, **Supported** by Keith. **Motion carried**

Planning Commission briefly discussed the proposed amendments.

Motion to Recommend to the Township Board Approval of the proposed amendments of Article 3, Article 4 and Article 15, per Lucie's latest draft dated 6-20-2023 by Keith, **Supported** by Ann.
Motion Carried

OLD BUSINESS: Lucie provided the Draft July 2023 Master Plan to the PC members for review. She asked the commission to review the Community Goals and come prepared to discussion at their next meeting.

MISCELLANEOUS:

1.) Dollar General

Lucie commented on the proposed plans/drawings from Dollar General which were emailed. Brief discussion

2.) Zabawa Wedding Barn project

- The Township received a letter from the Road Commission. A Site Plan needs to be submitted for review.

PUBLIC COMMENT: Dan Rigato, 5034 N. Custer:

- Mining Rights issue has been raised in Lansing
- Short term rentals/Air B&B
- Solar Ordinance/ Wind Ordinance

NEXT MEETING: August 21, 2023

ADJOURN

Motion to adjourn by Ryan. **Supported** by Keith. **Motion carried.** Meeting adjourned at 8:40 pm.

Minutes are preliminary until approved.