



Lodi Township Planning Commission Meeting Minutes

3775 Pleasant Lake Road Ann Arbor, Michigan 48103

October 22, 2024 at 7 pm

1. Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance

The meeting was called to order by Chair Strader at 7:00 pm. The Pledge of Allegiance was then recited.

2. Roll Call

Present: Strader, Stevenson, Sweetland, Swenson, Vestergaard, Warner

Absent: None

Others Present: Township Supervisor Jan Godek,
Recording Secretary Michelle Joppeck,
Township Planner Hannah Smith,
Leslie Blackburn, Sarah Lipscomb, Steve Marsh, Alex Matelski,
and Carly Rose

3. Announcements: None

4. Approval of Agenda

Swenson moved to approve the agenda as presented. Second by Sweetland. A voice vote was taken. Aye=all, Nay=none. Motion carried.

5. Public Hearings: None

6. Public Comment

Public comment began at 7:01 pm. Comments were received from 1 person. Public comment ended at 7:03 pm.

7. Approval of Minutes – 8/27/24

Sweetland moved to approve the minutes of the August 27, 2024 Lodi Township Planning Commission meeting as presented. Second by Warner. A voice vote was taken. Aye=5, Nay=none, Abstain=1. Motion carried.

8. Old Business

- a. Lodi Township Master Plan update

Township Planner Hannah Smith provided an update on the Lodi Township Master Plan update. All of the completed surveys, about 475 total, have been received and data is being compiled and analyzed. Smith hopes to have a full report of the responses and data at the next Planning Commission meeting. The community profile section has been started as well.

9. New Business

- a. Addition of Cemeteries as a use in AG District

When the PSP district was added, cemeteries were put in the PSP district and taken out of the AG district. With Institutional Uses being added as a permitted use in the AG district, it makes sense to allow cemeteries be allowed in the AG district as well. After a discussion regarding whether cemeteries should be allowed as a permitted use or allowed as an accessory use for Institutional Uses, it was decided to wait until Township Planner Hannah Smith can discuss the issue with Township Attorney Jesse O’Jack before making any decisions.

- b. Home Occupation Application – Lipscomb – Pet Sitting

Corey Lipscomb and Sarah Maccarone Lipscomb submitted an Application for Home Occupation for a pet sitting business. Sarah Maccarone Lipscomb was present and provided information about the application, the business, and future plans and ideas for the business. Questions from the Planning Commission were asked and answered to the Planning Commission’s satisfaction. Due to the nature of the use, this use would be considered a General Use Home Occupation which is a special use and requires a public hearing. Warner moved to set a public hearing for November 26, 2024 for the Home Occupation Application submitted by Corey Lipscomb and Sarah Mccarone Lipscomb for their pet sitting business. Second by Stevenson. A roll call vote was taken. Sweetland=aye, Strader=aye, Swenson=aye, Vestergaard=aye, Warner=aye, Stevenson=aye. Motion carried.

10. Public Comment

Public comment began at 7:32 pm. Comments were received from 1 person. Public comment ended at 7:33 pm.

11. Reports

- A. Board of Trustees: Swenson reviewed the most recent Board of Trustees meeting held on October 7, 2024.
- B. Commissioners: None
- C. Planning Consultant: None
- D. Engineering Consultant: None

12. Other Business: None

13. Adjournment

Sweetland moved to adjourn at 7:36 pm. Second by Stevenson. A voice vote was taken.
Aye=all, Nay=none. Motion carried.

The next regular meeting is scheduled for November 26, 2024 at 7:00 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Ann Warner,
Planning Commission Secretary



Michelle Joppeck,
Recording Secretary

