

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF AUSABLE
PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING
March 20, 2024
"approved"

CALL TO ORDER:

Meeting was called to order by Vice Chairman Diana London, at 6:00 pm

ROLL CALL:

Present: Mike Pardington, Diana London, Greg Romero, Deirdre Honner

Absent: Jeff Lamrock

Staff Present: Eric Strayer, Superintendent, Susie Olpere, Recording Secretary,

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Recited

APPROVAL OF MEETING AGENDA: Motion by Romero to approve the agenda for March 20, 2024.

Second by Pardington

Unanimous – Voice Vote

Motion Carried

PUBLIC COMMENTS: (On agenda items) None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES from (Feb. 21, 2024):

Romero made the motion to approve the minutes of Feb. 21, 2024. Second by Pardington

Unanimous – Voice Vote

Motion Carried

PUBLIC HEARING: None

OLD BUSINESS:

- A) **Trailer Storage Based on Acreage** - Superintendent Strayer briefed the board concerning a resident asking to be allowed to store more trailers on his property because he owned two adjoining parcels that added up to acreage. According to the current ordinance, he would only be allowed 2 trailers per parcel. It was suggested to the resident that he should put in a request before the Zoning Board of Appeals for a variance. The Commissioners came to a consensus to leave the maximum of 2 trailers per parcel as stated in the ordinance.

NEW BUSINESS:

- A) **Introduction to Deirdre Honner** - Superintendent Strayer introduced the new member of the Planning Commission Board, Ms. Deirdre Honner. Her term is a for 3 years and will expire on May 2, 2027. The commissioners congratulated her and welcomed her to the board.
- B) **Information on Driveway Ordinance** - Parking of multiple cars at a single residence has become an issue for the code enforcement officer. Superintendent Strayer has included samples of driveway ordinances for the board to review. The board requested a draft of the new language be brought to the next meeting. No action was needed at this time.
- C) **Addition of Rabbits to the Chicken Ordinance** – A request was made to allow rabbits to be kept as pets or raised in the residential areas. The commissions reviewed the current parameters in the current ordinance and keeping them outside and the limitations of the number of rabbits that could be kept. The Issue was tabled until next month's meeting.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: None

COMMISSIONERS' COMMENTS: Commissioner London brought up the issue of the sidewalks. Superintendent Strayer explained that the sidewalks are not a zoning issue and would have to be a consideration for the township board.

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion was made by Pardington
Second by Romero
Unanimous – Voice Vote
Motion Carried
Time: 7:09 pm

Submitted by:
Susie Olpere
Recording Secretary


Jeffrey Lamrock, Chairman
Planning Commission