

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF AUSABLE
PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING
May 22, 2024
“approved”

CALL TO ORDER:

Meeting was called to order by Chairman Jeff Lamrock at 6:00 pm

ROLL CALL:

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

Absent:

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

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

APPROVAL OF MEETING AGENDA:

London made the motion to approve the agenda as presented. Second by Honner

Unanimous – Voice Vote

Motion Carried

PUBLIC COMMENTS: (On agenda items)

APPROVAL OF MINUTES from (April 17, 2024):

Motion by Romero to approve the minutes from April, 17, 2024. Second by London

Unanimous – Roll Call Vote

Motion Carried

PUBLIC HEARING: None

OLD BUSINESS:

- A) Rabbit Ordinance** – Superintendent Strayer presented a copy of the language for the “keeping of rabbits” for the commissioner’s review. Once it is approved, it will be given to Denise Cline at NEMCOG and she will put it together as an ordinance and then will be brought back to the board. Motion was made London to accept the Affidavit of Compliance regarding rabbits and continue the process needed to be done. Second by Romero
Unanimous – Roll Call Vote
Motion Carried
- B) Annual Report to Township Board** - The 2023 Annual Report was presented on the activities of the Planning Commission for last year. It includes a list of the members, meeting dates, zoning ordinance work, training, permits issued, etc. London made the motion to approve the Planning Commission Annual Report and be moved to the Township Board. Second by Romero
Unanimous – Voice Vote
Motion Carried
- C) Ordinance #140** – This ordinance pertains to Driveway Dimensions, Off-Street Parking, and Loading. The commissioners were in consensus about the language and decided to keep Item G, which states that the driveway will be located on the same side of the dwelling as their mailing address. Certain circumstances will be cause for consideration. Romero made the motion to continue the process for Ordinance #140. Second by London
Unanimous – Roll Call Vote
Motion Carried

- D) **Master Plan Discussion** – Superintendent Strayer provided a copy of the information defined by Denise Cline, Deputy Director/Chief Planner from Northeast Michigan Council of Governments, (NEMCOG). In her correspondence, she explained different options to choose from depending on how much information needed to be updated in the Master Plan and the cost of each of those options. She had recommended separating the Recreational Plan from the Master Plan. The board requested further information about the benefits of doing the separation of the two plans. No Action was Needed.

NEW BUSINESS:

PUBLIC COMMENTS: None

COMMISSIONERS' COMMENTS:

Chairman Lamrock explained some concerns regarding the issues with some previous commission decisions and follow up on those decisions.

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion was made by London
Second by Honner
Unanimous – Voice Vote
Motion Carried
Time: 7:30 pm

Submitted by:
Susie Olpere
Recording Secretary

Jeffrey Lamrock, Chairman
Planning Commission