

**Lake Charter Township Planning Commission Meeting  
February 6, 2017**

**CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Chairman John Murphy called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

**ROLL CALL**

Board members present were: Chair John Murphy, Gaylord Rochefort, Nancy Mensinger, William Geukes and Christin Rice

Zoning Administrator Jim Gast also attended.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Motion to approve the agenda, was made by Christin Rice; second by: Gaylord Rochefort, all ayes, motion carried.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Motion to approve the January 9, 2017 minutes was made by William Geukes; second by: Nancy Mensinger, all ayes, motion carried.

**TOWNSHIP BOARD REPORT** – Nancy Mensinger reported:

1. Approved the Warren Dunes Village new street names in the new addition.
2. Approved the refurbishing of the 1998/99 Case backhoe rather than purchasing a new one. RPM Machinery will repair it for the cost of \$15,439.52.
3. Attendance of Bob Clark and Nancy Mensinger at the MTA (Michigan Townships Association) Conference was approved. They will attend in April.
4. Renewal of the Worker's Compensation Accident Fund was approved at 4% more than last year for a total of \$19,691.00.
5. A payment request was approved for Fiskar's. Work was done on the renovation of the old Fire Station. The first request for \$49,834.35 was overlooked and never brought to the board. The third payment for \$14,505.98 was also approved.
6. Usage of water was down from last year. The water plant Supervisor is letting everyone know that he will do water plant tours for school and can be called to schedule.

**ZBA REPORT** – Nancy Mensinger reported:

The ZBA met on January 12<sup>th</sup>, 2017 – They held the election of officers. The same slate of officers was approved except to replace Nancy Mensinger with John Wilk.

Chairman John Murphy greeted those in attendance and read the rules on the back of the agenda.

**OLD BUSINESS**

1. None

**NEW BUSINESS**

1. None

**PUBLIC COMMENTS** – Opened at 7:05 p.m.

Jim Gast discussed the attendance of the Planning Commission members at the medical Marijuana workshop for local government to be held in Lawrence MI March 6, 2017. The Regular meeting of the Planning Commission will be held in place of this conference and Township Clerk Gloria Payne will post the change in location.

Jim Gast also reviewed with the members the Land Division Ordinance and referred the members to page 5 letter F of the ordinance. #1-92 no longer exists. He presented a handout on stand-alone ordinances 560.109 approval or disapproval of proposed division. He discussed inserting a variance clause. He will write up any changes and have them available for the April meeting. After that, the Planning Commission can decide whether to call for a public hearing on them.

Closed at 7:25 p.m.

**REVIEW MAIN POINTS OF PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING –**

For March Meeting: Regulating Medical Marijuana Facilities: Workshop for Local Government.

**ADJOURN** –Motion by William Geukes, seconded by Nancy Mensinger to adjourn the meeting at 7:31 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by:

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Christin Rice - Secretary

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Date