# **CASCO TOWNSHIP**



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Casco Township Planning Commission Regular Meeting Minutes Tuesday, June 20, 2023

Attendance: S. Coppens, J. Edwards, D. Hill, G. Kaszynski, G. Keller, J. Sarcone, K. Teltow, V. Holk – Recording Secretary. K. LaVere – Cassin Planner, B. Loper – Bldg. Dept. R. Suess – Bldg. Official 2 Residents.

### SESSION I

- 1. Call to Order Time: 7pm
- 2. Pledge to the Flag of the United States of America
- 3. Approval of Minutes May 16, 2023

Motion by G. Kaszynski to approve the minutes as presented, for May 16, 2023. Supported by J. Edwards Ayes: 7 Nays: 0 Motion Carried.

4. Approval of the Agenda

Motion by J. Sarcone to approve the minutes with moving 8. Unfinished Business to 9., and 9. New Business to 8., on the agenda. Supported by S. Coppen. Ayes: 7 Nays: 0. Motion Carried.

- 5. Communications NONE
- 6. Discussion from the Floor This for residents wishing to address the Planning Commission on business other than then the Master Plan 5-Year update. All comments are limited to three minutes. NONE
- 7. Public Hearing NO PUBLIC HEARING
- 8. New Business
  - a. Modified Site Plan Review Lenox Cremation Services, 10918 Gratiot Ave.

C. Harms addressed the commission about his modified Site Plan for Lenox Cremation Services, located at 10918 Gratiot Ave. Planner, K. LaVere reported that the site plan was reviewed and they suggest the approval of the commission of the modified site plan.

Motion by J. Sarcone to accept the modified site plan by Lenox Cremation as presented. Supported by D. Hill. Ayes: 7 Nays: 0. Motion Carried.

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#### b. Noxious Weed Ordinance

K. LaVere presented the commission with a sample Noxious Weed Ordinance. The commission would like more research and information on this subject.

Motion by J. Edwards to postpone to a later date. Supported by G. Kaszynski.

Ayes: 7

Navs: 0

Motion Carried.

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- 9. Unfinished Business (Please see Session II Below)
  - a. Adjustment to Article 2, Section 3 Definitions and Article 14, Section 65 Accessory Buildings of the Zoning Ordinance to include regulation of hoop buildings.

There was a discussion of the commission about the Zoning Ordinance about hoop buildings. The Commission wants to stay within the Michigan Code of any hoop building that is over 200 square feet to require a building permit.

Motion by J. Sarcone to postpone until advised by attorney of the adjustment to the adoption of the ordinance for Hoop buildings and whether a public hearing is needed. Supported by S. Coppen.

Ayes: 7

Navs: 0

Motion Carried.

## 10. Planners Report

K. LaVere informed the commission that they are continuing to work on the Master Plan.

## 11. Report from Committees

- K. Teltow, G. Kaszynski, and S. Coppen talked about the Spring Workshop on Solar Energy. They felt it was a very informative workshop. K. Teltow asked the Supervisor, J. Stevens, to talk to the township attorney to see if we have any protection from Solar Energy.
- J. Stevens addressed the Commission about Sand and Gravel Mining. He wants the commission to look at ordinances on Mining.
- J. Stevens addressed the planner about accessory buildings on vacant properties.
- J. Stevens informed the commission that on Wednesday, August 30<sup>th</sup>, 2023, at 7pm, there will be Planning Commission/ZBA training.
- J. Stevens informed the commission that the culverts are being done on Church Road July 30<sup>th</sup> to Labor Day, 2023.

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#### **SESSION II**

- 1. Master Plan 5-Year Update
  - a. Public Comment on Master Plan 5-Year Update
    NOTE: Persons wishing to address the Planning Commission must do so from the podium.
    All comments are limited to three minutes.
- Planner, K. LaVere, updated the commission on the Township Master Plan Survey. Currently,
  101 people have taken the survey. The survey is to stay open for at least 45 days.
- K. Teltow asked K. LaVere if we are on target with the Master Plan. She replied that yes, we are.
- 2. Adjournment

Motion by G. Keller to adjourn at 8:04pm. Supported by G. Kaszynski.

Ayes: 7

Nays: 0

**Motion Carried** 

The next regular meeting of the Casco Township Planning Commission will be held at 7 pm on Tuesday, July 18, 2023, at Casco Township Hall, 4512 Meldrum Road.

Daniel Hill, Planning Commission Secretary

Victoria Hauff, Recording Secretary