**Dayton Township Planning Commission**

**Meeting Proposed Minutes**

4879 Hurds Corner Rd

Mayville, MI 48744

October 21, 2024

7:00 PM

**Call to Order:** Meeting was called to order by Chairman, Doug Graham at 7:03 pm.

**Present** (by roll-call)**:** Doug Graham, Jim McMinn, Gary Seidler, Nancy Shaver, Bert Slater, Bob Steele, Cristy Stephens. All members present.

**Public Comments:** None

**Approval of the Minutes:** Minutes for the August meeting were read by Nancy. Motion by Jim to accept the minutes as read, 2nd by Christy, with all in favor. Minutes approved.

**Reports:** None

**Old Business:** Chairman Graham stated that we would continue with discussing the berm issue.

Nancy asked a question about whether we are just wasting our time having a Planning Commission and a Zoning Ordinance, because we have spent a lot of hours on certain issues which seem to have had no follow-up on them, and it seems like there is no enforcement of the Zoning Ordinance. There was a discussion about this, and a general agreement that the Township Board needs to address the problem of not having a person who is enforcing our decisions and the Zoning Ordinance. Bert mentioned that he had just read in a “training” book that it is not a good idea to have the Township Supervisor serve as the Zoning Administrator. A comment was made that this could be a conflict of interest.

Doug Graham reported that a neighbor of the farm owned by Josh and Danielle Leach contacted him with a complaint about cars being parked along both sides of the road during one of the events that was held on their property (which he has pictures of, and gave to Doug). He was concerned about the road being blocked, and felt that emergency vehicles would not be able to get through if needed. There was some information given out about GAAMPS, and how to contact them.

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Old Business (cont.): Bert requested that we look at Section 19.25, which we had decided to add to at the last meeting. There was some discussion about whether we needed to add to that, or just revise or add to Section 23.07. We came to the conclusion to just add to Section 23.07. A motion was made by Jim to add to Section 23.07 C. “Berms”, the following: Any berm must comply with Section 24.03 C “Storm Water Management”, and must meet the minimum yard setback requirements in Table 10-2 (page 10-11). The motion was seconded by Gary, with a verbal “all in favor”. Motion passed. There was a suggestion that we could wait to present this to the Township Board until we finish with the other two items we will be discussing in the next meetings, so we will wait until we have all of our suggested amendments before presenting them all to the Township board.

We plan to discuss shipping containers at our next meeting, which will be held on December 16, 2024 at 7:00 pm.

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Christy at 8:25, 2nd by Nancy. All in favor. Motion carried.

*Submitted by Planning Commission Secretary, Nancy Shaver*