

Antwerp Township Planning Commission Meeting Minutes-August 7, 2024

- 1. Call to Order**-Secretary Schultz called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM.
Motion by Schultz second by Kneeshaw to recommend Tarchala be made Chair for this meeting, since both the Chair and Vice-Chairperson are both absent.
All voted in favor. Motion carried
- 2. Roll Call**-Present: Marshall, Schultz, Tarchala, Kneeshaw
Absent and Excused: Cronenwett, Paquin
Also Present: David Jirousek, Horizon Community Planning, and guests
- 3. Approval of Agenda**-Motion by Marshall second by Kneeshaw to approve the agenda as presented.
All voted in favor. Motion carried.
- 4. Approval of Minutes**-Motion by Tarchala second by Marshall to approve the June 5, 2024 minutes as presented. All voted in favor. Motion carried.
- 5. Public Comments on Items Not Scheduled for Public Hearing**-none
- 6. Public Hearing and Consideration of a Zoning Map Amendment.** Jack and Rebecca Traugher request a rezoning from Rural Estate Residential (R-1) and Commercial Corridor Overlay (CO) to General Commercial (GC) for the property located at 28201 Red Arrow Highway, Paw Paw, MI 49079 (Parcel 80-02-009-005-70).

Public Hearing

Chairman Tarchala opened the Public Hearing at 6:33 PM.

Viva Lawson-Questions in regards to uses permitted at this site. Concerns with traffic, possible building height, and guidelines that would/will be set for this site.

Penny Wilsee-Question in regards to the change of zoning at this site.

Jackie Kimball-Question as to what type of businesses could go in at this site.

There being no further public comment the Public Hearing was closed at 6: 36 PM.

Consideration of Zoning Map Amendment

Review by David Jirousek with commissioners. The proposed business (gym facility) was discussed along with other possibilities for this site if it is rezoned. This site is consistent with the Master Plan. If there are any minor adjustments it would be an administrative review. This request if approved would go to Van Buren County for review and then to the Antwerp Township Board.

Motion by Tarchala second by Kneeshaw to approve the request for rezoning from Rural Estate Residential (R-1) and Commercial Corridor Overlay (CO) to General Commercial (GC).

All voted in favor. Motion Carried.

7. Consideration of a Special Land Use Extension. Mitten State Engineering, on behalf of Paul Amrit, requests an extension of the Special Land use approval for a vehicle service station for the property located at 25213 Red Arrow Highway, Mattawan, MI 49071 (Parcel 80-02-002-046-04).

Tarchala question in regards if this issue needs to have a Public Hearing. David Jirousek responded, No, it does not as they are just asking for an extension at this time.

Dante Pinote-spoke on behalf of applicant and informed of progress that has been made in regards to permits. Since it has been one year that the application has been submitted it has expired and they are looking for an extension.

Commissioners and David Jirousek discussed the timeline possibilities for an extension.

Motion by Kneeshaw second by Marshall to extend for one (1) year the Special Land Use approval for Mitten State Engineering for the property located at 25213 Red Arrow Highway, Mattawan, MI

All voted in favor. Motion carried.

8. Zoning Ordinance Discussion-Commercial Kennels and Other General Issues-Discussion among commissioners and David Jirousek in regards to Commercial Kennels. Acreage, zoning districts, setbacks were discussed. It was agreed that further discussion on this subject matter will be discussed at the September meeting.

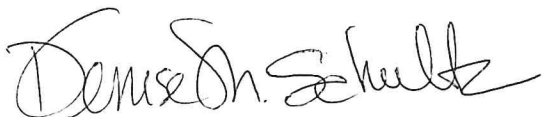
9. Additional Comments and Communications

Tarchala-comment on status of MTH and lack of complying with requirements, also Yoders Portable Buildings site is uncomplete.

10. Adjournment-Motion by Kneeshaw second by Tarchala to adjourn at 7:40 PM.

All voted in favor. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted



Denise M. Schultz, Secretary