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GLEN ARBOR TOWNSHIP
Planning Commission
Glen Arbor, Michigan 49636

January 2, 2020

CALL TO ORDER:

Chairman Lance Roman called the meeting of the Planning Commission to order at 7:00 P.M.

ROLL CALL:

Lance Roman, Bill Stege, Bill Thompson, John Pepler, Bob Ihme, Pam Lysaght, Michael Plessner and Lance Roman

AGENDA:

Approved as presented

CORRESPONDENCE:

Newsletter from Beckett&Raeder

TOWNSHIP BOARD REPORT:

- Pepler reported that the financials are in line with the projected budget. The Township paved Cheney Road and Port Oneida Road. The Leelanau County Road Commission allowed payment for this work to be spread out over four years.
- A plan from the Park and Recreation committee was presented at the December meeting. Work and revisions to the plan will be resubmitted to the Township Board before acceptance.
- The following appointments were made:
Planning Commission for 3 years: Bill Thompson, Robert Ihme, Mike Plessner, and Bill Stege
Zoning Board of Appeals for 2 years: Pam Lysaght and Bill Freeman
- Approved meetings for Planning Commission for 2020 are the first Thursday of the month at 7pm. No meetings are scheduled for July and August. State law requires the Planning Commission meet a minimum of 4 times per year.
- The Township Board is awaiting a status update regarding the proposed Heritage Trail bike path connector from Glen Arbor to the Homestead.

ZONING ADMINISTRATORS REPORT:

Cypher, Glen Arbor Township Zoning Administrator reported that his report for December will be mailed out this week. He has met with the new owner of the old mill and work continues on rehabilitating the buildings with a Bed and Breakfast concept in mind.

ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS REPORT:

No meetings scheduled at this time

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

BUSINESS:

1. Conner McCahill – Development of the Marina
McCahill presented the initial concept for purchasing and building the Marina site at the end of Fisher Lake. The plan would include 14 condo units and 12 employee housing units above the service building and the boat slips. The McCahill's would retain the Narrows Marina for fuel sales and boat rental. Comments were numerous from the concerned citizens attending the meeting and included concerns regarding the character of the property, the effect on the wetlands, parking, how the increased activity would affect the Lake, and the size of the development.
McCahill is awaiting regulatory approval from numerous agencies. As he moves forward and presents formal site plans to the Planning Commission a public hearing will be scheduled as well as all properties within 300 feet of the Marina will be notified.
Pepler commented regarding his conflict of interest and would recuse himself from voting.
2. Review of Park Commission draft plan – JP
Awaiting revisions
3. Election of 2020 Planning Commission officers
A motion by Lysaght to keep the current Board as it stands was supported by Plessner. Chairman: Lance Roman, Vice Chairman: Bob Ihme, and Secretary: Bill Stege. Motion passed unanimously.
4. Ordinance review update:
A meeting is planned on January 23, 2020 at 3 PM in the Township Hall Meeting Room.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

COMMISSION MEMBER COMMENTS:

The Commission members requested the Agenda for upcoming meetings be put on the website. Roman will comply.

ADJOURN:

The meeting of the Glen Arbor Township Planning Commission was adjourned by Chairman Lance Roman at 8:55pm

Respectfully Submitted
Dotti Thompson
Recording Secretary
Planning Commission

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