

**WHITE LAKE TOWNSHIP
PLANNING COMMISSION**
7525 Highland Road
White Lake, MI 48383
AUGUST 15, 2019 @ 7:00 p.m.

Ms. Carlock called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance. Roll was called.

ROLL CALL: Steve Anderson
Merrie Carlock
Rhonda Grubb – Secretary
Peter Meagher
Scott Ruggles, Board Liaison
Joe Seward

Absent: Debby Dehart
Mark Fine – Chairperson, Excused
Anthony Noble, Excused

Also Present: Jason Iacoangeli, Staff Planner
Sherri Ward, Recording Secretary

Visitors: 2

Approval of Agenda

Mr. Anderson moved to approve the agenda as presented. Mr. Meagher supported and the MOTION CARRIED with a voice vote. (6 yes votes)

Approval of Minutes

a. July 18, 2019

Mr. Anderson wanted to note that on Page 3, Paragraph 2 under Centerpointe Plaza the minutes read “Everything was turned it...” and should read “Everything was turned in...”.

Mr. Meagher moved to approve the minutes of July 18, 2019 as amended. Ms. Grubb supported and the MOTION CARRIED with a voice vote. (6 yes votes)

Call to the Public (for items not on the agenda)

There was no discussion from the public for items that were not on the agenda.

Public Hearing:

No public hearing,

Old Business:

No old business.

New Business:

a) **Review and discussion of the 2020-2025 Capital Improvement Plan (CIP)**

Mr. Meagher asked what we are trying to accomplish tonight. Mr. Iacoangeli reported that Planning is looking for comments or questions so we can revise the draft in front of you to make any necessary changes. There will be a public hearing at the next meeting, and if everything is in order, the CIP will go before the WLT Board of Trustees at the regular September, 2019 meeting.

Mr. Anderson asked if we get a lot of feedback, or is it the same thing every year. Mr. Iacoangeli reported that some of the water/sewer projects were backed up a year. Things get pushed back every year if they haven't been done. Do we want to put something in front of the board more realistic instead of pie in the sky? What can we do within our budget? The CIP lists what we'd like to have and why. Mr. Iacoangeli said it is a type of wish list and the items may or may not get done. Department heads list items in case the budget becomes available (such as grants becoming available for a project). Mr. Meagher said he used to feel the same way, but it's mandatory and you have to keep pushing for what you want. Department heads prioritizing what they need is helpful. Mr. Iacoangeli listed some completed projects from 2019. There are many that have been completed, and some get scrapped for new projects.

Mr. Iacoangeli went over a summary of the CIP. Mr. Iacoangeli reported that some of these are very close to being completed, so they will stay on the list until next year. Next year we can look into percentage complete, a measurement factor. The commission discussed the accuracy of the costs for the new municipal buildings and Mr. Iacoangeli will address this with Mr. O'Neil.

Ms. Carlock wanted to compliment Planning on the CIP. She looks at CIPs in her job and there is nothing this good out there.

Liaison's Report:

Mr. Ruggles said on this month's agenda the board will be discussing entering into talks about roundabouts at Elizabeth Lake and Teggerdine and Elizabeth Lake and Oxbow. They are targeted as areas of need. Mr. Anderson is concerned with the 18 wheelers that come up and down Teggerdine going through the roundabouts but they currently use the roundabouts near Northern High School. The approach at Cooley Lake Road and Bogie Lake is being paved. The Brendel Road rezoning went through the first reading and is moving onto the second reading. The Fire Department purchased breathing apparatus and a command vehicle.

Ms. Grubb reported that Parks and Rec met at the Fisk Farm and discussed storm damage at Bloomer Park, the handling of deposits for the pavilions and the trust fund grant and the appraisal. The Fisk Farm Halloween party will be October 19th. She noted that we received a letter stating that a resident didn't think Hidden Pines was a good choice for pickleball.

Ms. Carlock reported that the CCDC has been meeting since last November for a plan for the new Civic Center development. The last meeting was held jointly with the WLT Board of Trustees. We need to define our space first and look ahead to our needs both now, and in the future. Mr. Anderson asked what the mission is for the group. How was it formed and what are we charged to do? Ms. Carlock is not aware of a mission statement. The CCDC is mostly residents at large and includes business owners, the Police and Fire Chief, the Supervisor, and the Clerk. Mr. Iacoangeli noted that we use the CiDi study and this committee will guide the development of that. We have the land and we want to have a downtown and a civic center area. Mr. Anderson wondered if the 2020 date in the CIP is realistic, it's an ambitious date.

Mr. Iacoangeli reported that Planning is staying busy. The preconstruction meetings for the Preserve at Hidden Lake and Centerpointe Plaza will be next week. The MI Homes project, Trailside Meadows, is scheduled for preconstruction soon and they will begin site work on Monday August 26th. Eagle Landing goes before the board at their next meeting.

Ms. Carlock wanted to note that she would like to see the White Lake Township logo when looking at notices in the Spinal Column. She realizes it costs extra, but she feels that it's marketing and worth the extra cost.

Other Business:

No other business.

Mr. Meagher moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:01 p.m. Ms. Grubb supported and the MOTION CARRIED with a voice vote. (6 yes votes)

The next meetings are scheduled for September 5th and 19th, 2019.