

**WHITE LAKE TOWNSHIP
PLANNING COMMISSION**

Township Annex, 7527 Highland Road
White Lake, MI 48383
January 19, 2023 @ 7:00 PM

CALL TO ORDER

Chairperson Seward called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM and led the Pledge of Allegiance. Roll was called.

ROLL CALL

T. Joseph Seward
Steve Anderson
Debby Dehart
Scott Ruggles
Robert Seeley
Merrie Carlock

Absent: Pete Meagher
Matt Slicker
Mark Fine

Also Present: Sean O'Neil, Community Development Director
Rowan Brady, Project and Technology Planner with Beckett & Raeder
Lisa Kane, Recording Secretary

Visitors: Approximately 3 members of the public were present

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Commissioner Seeley moved to approve the agenda of the January 19, 2023 Planning Commission Meeting.

Commissioner Carlock supported and the MOTION CARRIED with a voice vote: 6 yes votes.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- a. Regular meeting minutes of January 5, 2023

Commissioner Anderson moved to approve the Minutes of January 5, 2023.

Commissioner Seeley supported and the MOTION CARRIED with a voice vote: 6 yes votes.

CALL TO THE PUBLIC (FOR ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA)

Commissioner Seward opened public comment at 7:03 p.m.

Randee Kushner of 46 Crouty Street suggested the White Lake Planning Commission adopt a tree ordinance.

Commissioner Seward closed public comment at 7:06 p.m.

PUBLIC HEARING

None.

CONTINUING BUSINESS

None.

NEW BUSINESS

- A. Review & Discussion - Draft Master Plan Survey

Director O'Neil introduced Rowan Brady of Beckett & Raeder.

Mr. Brady presented the draft survey questions for the Master Plan.

The Commissioners reviewed and discussed the survey questions, the desired length of the survey, and the distribution method.

Mary Early of 5925 Pine Ridge Court inquired if this survey would be only available online. Mrs. Early noted typos and stated it took her longer than 15 minutes to complete the survey.

Mr. Brady stated the survey would be released soon and be open for approximately three to four weeks depending on responses.

The next Master Plan meeting would occur March 2, 2023. Mr. Brady would present preliminary survey results at that meeting.

OTHER BUSINESS

None.

LIAISON'S REPORT

Commissioner Dehart stated there was not a ZBA meeting since last Planning Commission meeting.

Commissioner Carlock stated the public hearing occurred on the Parks and Recreation Master Plan and it was presented to the Township Board.

Commissioner Ruggles stated the Township Board voted to approve the Parks and Recreation Master Plan. A permit for the Winter Carnival at the White Lake Inn was approved, but likely would not occur due to lack of ice. The Township Board approved a resolution to request the DNR to restrict hunting on White Lake Township parks and property. The first reading of the rezoning on Gale Road was approved. The Board agreed to proceed with a contract with RedStone Architects to design the new Public Safety building and with Straub, Pettitt and Yaste to design the Township Hall.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Director O'Neil reported the Corridor Improvement Authority members had been appointed. The tax increment financing (TIF) plan was being worked on by Carlisle Wortman. The design for Elizabeth Lake Road was being sent to the Road Commission for Oakland County for review soon. The projects West Valley and Lake Point had no changes in status. New Hope White Lake had not opened yet but was expected to very soon; they were waiting on the State Fire Marshal's final approval.

COMMUNICATIONS

NEXT MEETING DATES: February 2, 2023
February 16, 2023

ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Dehart moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:36 PM.
Commissioner Seeley supported and the **MOTION CARRIED** with a voice vote: 6 yes votes

