

**WINFIELD TOWNSHIP, MONTCALM COUNTY**  
**PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING**  
**March 22<sup>nd</sup> 2021**

*Called to order @ 7:00 pm by Planning Chair, Chris Rader, who led Pledge of Allegiance*

*Virtual Roll Call, Present: Chris Rader, Dale Ulrich, Ken Kool, John Black, Julia Potratz, Travis Carr, Ben Gordon, Ken Fisk*

*Also present: Dave Kelsey, Phyllis Larsen*

*Motion to approve agenda by Ken Kool, 2<sup>nd</sup> by John Black, motion passed.*

*Motion to approve Aug 24<sup>th</sup> 2020 Minutes, by Dale Ulrich, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Ken Kool, Ayes approved*

*Motion to approve Dec 21<sup>st</sup> 2020 Minutes, by Travis Carr & 2<sup>nd</sup> by John Black, Ayes approved*

*Dave Kelsey, : 2 permits*

- 1- Denied (solar)*
- 2- Detached garage*

*Township Board Liaison: John Black reports on township business*

- 1- Road contracts*
- 2- Calcium Chloride treatment*
- 3- Township Clean up (1<sup>st</sup> Saturday of June 5<sup>th</sup>)*
- 4- Asked Dennis Wright to print off detailed map of township*

*New business:*

- Planning Commission Board organization for next calendar year:  
Chairman: John Black nominates Chris Rader, Ken Kool 2<sup>nd</sup> nomination- Unanimous vote  
Vice Chair: John Black nominates Ken Kool, Dale 2<sup>nd</sup> nomination- Unanimous vote  
Secretary: Ben Gordon nominates Ken Fisk, Ken Kool 2<sup>nd</sup> nomination- Unanimous vote*
- Plan to hold larger in person meeting with regard to wind energy when state allows.*

*Old Business: Solar Energy*

- Reviewed ordinance provided by William Fahey*
- Table discussion of solar until next meeting for more time to do research*
- Julia will research and email other township ordinances for board to review before next meeting*
- Phyllis will reach out to William Fahey for further explanation on possibly splitting solar ordinance by size.*
- Additional meeting added for April 26<sup>th</sup> 2021*

*Public comment: 8:15 pm – 8:40 pm*

*Jessica  
Dave Meyers  
Dave Kelsey*

*Public comment Via Zoom Video ( Julia Potratz moderator)*

*Ken Purchase – Belvedere twp*

*Robert Scott- Sidney twp (cottage)*

*Kay Scott- Sidney twp*

*Linda Reynolds*

*Brenda Gartzke*

*Renee Smith*

*Norm Stevens*

*Jeremy Kwaqo*

*All public comments pertained to wind towers. This was not on the agenda so the board reserved comment.*

*The next 5 Planning Commission meetings are as follows: (All at 7:00 pm)*

*July 27<sup>th</sup> 2020*

*August 24<sup>th</sup> 2020*

*November 23<sup>rd</sup> 2020 December 21<sup>st</sup> 2020 postponed due to Michigan Covid 19 restrictions*

*January 25<sup>th</sup> 2021*

*March 22<sup>nd</sup> 2021*

*April 26<sup>th</sup> 2021*

*Chris Rader adjourned meeting @ 8:45 pm*