



Grass Lake Charter Township Planning Commission

091919 approved Planning Committee Meeting

Grass Lake Charter Township Hall 373 Lakeside Dr Grass Lake, MI 49240

1. CALL TO ORDER:

Chairman Hinkle called the meeting to order at 7:02 pm

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

3. ROLL CALL:

Members present: _P_Tom Brennan, _P_Jim Ducey, _P_Jere Hinkle, _P_Todd Keszler, P Dale Lucas, P Nancy Prindle, P Jim Warbritton (P = present Blank = absent)

Additional present: Doug Lammers, Township Zoning Administrator, 15 people from public.

4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

Moved by Brennan and supported by Warbritton to approve the agenda with no changes. All ayes, motion carried.

5. APPROVAL OF AUGUST 22, 2019 REGULAR MEETING MINUTES:

Moved by Brennan and supported by Warbritton to approve the August 22, 2019 minutes with modifications. All ayes, motion carried.

6. NEW BUSINESS

a. Zoning Ordinance Chapter 13 Text Amendment - LI/HC Districts

The Commission reviewed the Jackson County Planning Commission's suggested changes to the draft of the proposed ordinance entitled **Chapter 13 LI/HC Light Industrial/Highway Commercial District**. These were,

- Subsequent chapters in the Ordnance should be renumbered to accommodate the insertion of a new Chapter 13.
- In Section 13.03 Special Land Uses removal of the words "with drive through services" for financial establishments and restaurants.
- Move the "Accessory buildings, structures and uses, customarily incidental to any Permitted or Special Land Use from Section 13.03 - Special Land Uses to Section 13.02 -Permitted Uses.
- In Section 13.04 Item J Site Design Requirements, consolidate the discussions of architectural design elements in Items 2 and 7 into one Item.

After discussion of each of these suggested changes, Brennan moved, and supported by Warbritton, that all be incorporated in a revision of the draft ordinance. Motion by Brennan and supported by Warbritton, all approved. All ayes, motion carried.



The revised draft will be transmitted to the Township board and zoning manual should reflect this new chapter and the remaining sections be changed to reflect this insertion of Chapter 13.

b. Planning Commission Vice Chair

Nancy Prindle accepted the position of Vice Chairman. Motion to approve Nancy Prindle as Vice Chairman by Brennan and supported by Ducey. All ayes, motion carried.

- 7. Public Comments None.
- 8. TOWNSHIP BOARD REPORT Brennan summarized a Township Board Meeting's discussion of proposed Grass Lake weed control including a proposed assessment district.
- 9. OLD BUSINESS Rezoning project Discussion of the zoning status of properties initiated in February. The adjacent I-94 properties will retain their LI/HC zoning. Suggested changes for East Michigan Avenue Properties have been completed. The Norvell Road property change is still under review. Mr. Lammers suggested that the Commission step back and review whether this activity should be continued as initially contemplated. It was decided to check with the Township Planner to relate our status and solicit opinions whether this project should continue, and if so, in what fashion. Hinkle indicated that zoning follow the Township's Master Plan.
- 10. NEXT MEETING The October meeting has been moved forward from October 17 to October 10, 2019. It is anticipated that an initial draft of modifications to Chapter 14 - Special Land Uses Section HH - Removal and Processing of Topsoil, Stone, Rock, Water, Sand, Gravel, Lime, or other Soil or Mineral Resources will be reviewed at this meeting.
- 11. GENERAL DISCUSSION None
- **12.** ADJOURNMENT Moved by Ducey supported by Brennan to adjourn the meeting at 8:15 pm. All ayes, motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted, James R Ducey Secretary

