

Mikado Township Planning Commission

March 7, 2024

Present: Steve Stevens, Carrie Mullins, Steve Sanderson, Bill Spunar

Absent: James Ostby

Guests: Clerk Rita Sands, Ann Harmon

Call to Order: 6:00 PM

Pledge

Motion to approve the meeting minutes from February 1, 2024 made by Spunar, seconded by Mullins, the Ayes have it, motion passes.

Carrie Mullins gave another update on the re-submission of the Recreational Plan to the MIDNR and the MI Grants program. After clarification of the timeline of events in regards to the public notice for the public hearing the Rec Plan for 2024 was resubmitted and approved for the final time.

The Word programs that will be used in regards to formatting of the updated ZO that we are working on will be key to a successful document that is easy to reference.

Discussion:

Starting with Article 3, Section 3.22 Landscaping and Buffering, it was decided to be replaced with the Alcona Township ZO section 3.20.

Article 3, Section 3.23 Parking and Loading Space Requirements, it was decided to be replaced with the Alcona Township ZO section 3.21.

Article 3, Section 3.24 Water Supply and Sewage Disposal Facilities (as well as sections 3.13 and 3.14) deal with water supply and sanitary/sewage conditions. It was noted that the Alcona Township ZO has sections 3.14 and 3.15 with no 3.24. The question arose, do we need to have the Department of Health standards like the Alcona Township ZO in regards to sewage, etc.

Article 3, Sections 3.25, 3.26, 3.27, 3.28, 3.29 and 3.30 will all stay the same.

We need to add a definition for retention ponds. We can utilize Alcona Township's definition for excavation. We may also need to define decorative ponds.

We finished up with Article 3, Section 3.30 Junkyards, Salvage Yards and Sanitary Landfills and the need to verify the cited statutes was questioned.

Public Comment: We have been allowing the guest to participate in the discussion within reason. Clerk Sands thanked us for our diligent work.

Motion to adjourn by Sanderson, seconded by Spunar, the Ayes have it, motion passes.

Adjournment: 8:06 PM

Next Meeting: Thursday, April 4, 2024 at 6:00 PM at the Mikado Civic Center