

## Mikado Township Planning Commission Meeting Minutes

November 7, 2024

**Present:** Steve Stevens, Carrie Mullins, Steve Sanderson, Bill Spunar, Jim Deller

**Absent:** none

**Guests:** ZA John Moran, Cindy McCuistion

**Call to Order:** 6:00 PM

Pledge

**Motion** to approve the meeting minutes from October 3, 2024 and the Special Meeting and Public Hearing from October 17, 2024 made by Spunar, seconded by Deller, the Ayes have it, motion passes.

Mullins gave an update on the WSEO#01-2024 and stated the Township Board met on the 29<sup>th</sup> and chose to adopt the workable solar energy ordinance that the PC presented. The ordinance was officially enacted on the 6<sup>th</sup> of November and with the publication of the summary in the Alcona County Review and the full document on the website, our work is done.

### **Discussion:**

We continued with Article 9 Supplemental Regulations, Part F. Cemeteries. Mikado Township has a stand alone ordinance from 1984 that was updated in 1991, but since the ZO has cemeteries in it, we need to update the ZO to include the stand alone. Discussion included adding a section regarding damage to stones/markers in the course of normal landscaping and mowing. Clarification will need to be obtained from Clerk Sands. This section may need to be revisited.

Part G. Commercial Uses with Outdoor Storage will stay the same.

Part H. Commercial Outdoor Recreation Facilities, we will remove the word rebound with the intention of including bouncy structures and trampolines, i.e. any tumbling structures. We will also remove the 6 inches and just make it a four foot fence.

Part I. Lumber Yards will stay the same.

Part J. Sawmills and other Mills will add parts E, F and G of section 9.15 from the Alcona Township Zoning Ordinance (ATZO) in regards to hours, noise and residue.

Part K. Automobile Repair Garage / Automobile Service Station will see an increase in the wall to 6 feet and an increased time period of 30 days from 15 in #5. #7 will add the words "Part K of" in front of "this ordinance."

Part L. Junk and Salvage Material Storage will see the addition of sections D, E and F from Section 9.11 of the ATZO.

Part N. Manufactured Housing Development will stay the same.

Part O. Outdoor Sales Facilities will see the addition of numbers 1, 2 and 6 from Section 9.19 of the ATZO.

There will be a potential for adding dark sky friendly lighting to various special land uses. We will pick up next time with Section 9.0, Part P.

**Public Comment:** None. We allowed guests to interact throughout discussion within reason.

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

**Adjournment:** 7:53 PM

**Next Meeting:** Thursday, December 5, 2024 at 6:00 PM at the Mikado Civic Center