

GRANT TOWNSHIP  
Planning Commission  
Meeting Minutes

DATE: July 25, 2023  
TIME: 7:00 pm  
LOCATION: 4049 Indian Lake Road, National City, MI 48748

ROLL CALL:

**Members:** Angie Brink-excused, Dustin Chatt, Lori Mather, Linda Hayes, Fred Triplett-absent  
**Zoning Administrator:** Harry Burgess  
**Blight Administrator:** Norm Andersen  
**Residents Present:** Bill McKenzie, Rose Burgess, Gary Wale, Mike & Kathy Hoppe, Laurie Muldoon, Amir Katz, Chris Varlicek, Ben Glowiak

We recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

1. Motion made by Lori Mather to approve June 27, 2023 minutes with the addition of the names of the public that attended the meeting. Seconded by Linda Hayes. All in support, motion carried.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

1. The current proposed changes to the ordinance book were reviewed and approved to be passed to the Township Board.
2. The blight team is meeting with the lawyer to figure out how to enforce the blight and poultry ordinances.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Community Power Project is looking at building a 5 megawatt solar farm on 30-40 acres on M55. They provided a picture and layout of what/where they would build. They will add to the current power grid and will sell power directly to the public at a 10% discount. The farm would have 8' panels, 14' tall with a 7' fence. They are bonded and when the project is completed, they will return the land back to farmland. The project is currently under study and state permits need to be pursued.
2. We reviewed the list of proposed meeting dates for the Planning Commission. It was decided to meet on the last Tuesday of the month year round except in December. October 2023 we will meet on the 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday due to Halloween.

OTHER CORRESPONDANCE

1. Grant Township meeting minutes – The festival will be the second weekend in August. The board is taking bids for a storage shed for the cemetery. Jordan will be taking over the website.
2. Zoning Board of Appeals –Nothing new.
3. Zoning Administrator report – Eight permits were issued. A cell tower is proposed to be built on the back corner of Community Center property.
4. Blight report – Various complaints are being followed. The house on Michigan Ave is being demolished.

PUBLIC COMMENT

1. Bill McKenzie requested information on the blight group meeting and how tickets will be issued.
2. Don Glowiak brought up the issue of garages and reading the ordinances for intent.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion made by Lori Mather to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Linda Hayes.

Motion carried and the meeting was adjourned at 8:10 p.m.

**Next meeting:** August 29, 2023 7:00 pm

**MINUTES APPROVED.**