

The Oceana County Planning Commission meeting was called to order by Chairperson Greiner on Thursday, September 1, 2022, at 1:01 p.m., in the Oceana County Board of Commissioners Room, 100 S. State Street, Hart, Michigan.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chairperson Greiner led the members in the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag of the United States of America.

ROLL CALL

Present: Chairperson Greiner, Mr. McKeen, Ms. Gina Loera, Mr. Blohm, Mr. Cutter, and Mr. John Stivers, Mr. Morse, Mr. Floss

Absent: Mr. Rumsey.

Also present: Ms. Stacey Becker, Financial/HR Coordinator, Ms. Jessica Long, Accounts Payable Clerk

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

Moved by Mr. Cutter and seconded by Mr. Blohm to approve the minutes of the August 4, 2022 Oceana County Planning Commission meeting, as presented.

Voice vote. All ayes. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA ITEMS OF THE REGULAR MEETING

Moved by Mr. Morse and seconded by Ms. Gina Loera to approve the agenda of the September 1, 2022 Oceana County Planning Commission meeting, as presented.

Voice vote. All ayes. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENTS ON AGENDA ITEMS

Ron Christians, County Commissioner District 1, was in attendance to hear an update about the Master Plan.

OLD BUSINESS

- Master Plan update, Ms. Stacey Becker agreed to send a copy of the Master Plan to all commission members for approval.

A booth was present at the Oceana County Fair. Mr. McKeen stated that, during his time at the fair, there was half of a dozen people that scanned the QR code, and approximately one dozen paper surveys partially filled out. Ms. Stacey Becker stated that, during her time at the fair, she passed out the QR code to approximately half of a dozen people. Mr. McKeen stated that there have not been any surveys completed via the QR code as of yet. Creating a quarterly newsletter was discussed to provide county

project information for members of the public that do not have access to the county website, or capability to scan the QR code.

NEW BUSINESS

- Mr. McKeen stated that Benona Township held a second reading of the new rental ordinance. The ordinance will go into effect January 1, 2023.

CORRESPONDENCE

No correspondence to report at this time.

COMMISSIONERS REPORTS

- Mr. Cutter provided an update on the City of Hart's \$8M BioPure Plant project. They received a grant for \$2.8M from EDA and a 50% forgiveness SRF grant. The City will be looking for a loan for \$2.56M for the project.
- Mr. Morse stated that the Council on Aging had a meeting and discussed senior housing. They are looking at building 12-24 units of senior housing with the possibility of adding more in the future. Hart township and the City of Hart are both interested in this project.
- Mr. McKeen gave an update on the ADA reports for two of their parks. He stated that there are many large upgrades that will need to be done to every park, which will be costly.
- Mr. McKeen stated that Oceana County Parks and Recreation does not have any recreation due to lack of budget. He was in contact with the Hart, Pentwater, and Shelby recreation clubs to discuss the possibility of merging all clubs to create the "Oceana Recreation Club". A joint meeting with Hart, Pentwater, and Shelby will be held to discuss further. The date is to be determined.
- Mr. Blohm discussed the Road Commission. He stated that they are looking at adding a grinder that attaches to a skidster. Road Commission has been chip sealing and hoping to finish in the next couple of weeks. They have done some work for outside counties as well. Mr. Blohm expressed the need for additional workers, but the budget does not support that.
- Mr. Morse invited the commissioners to a broadband internet meeting being held October 4, 2022 at 4:00pm. Information on location will be sent out prior to the meeting.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment at this time.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Chairperson Greiner adjourned the Oceana County Planning Commission meeting at 1:57pm.

The next meeting will be October 6, 2022.

OCEANA COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION
MINUTES OF THE SEPTEMBER 1, 2022, MEETING

OFFICIAL

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'J. Long', with a long, sweeping horizontal line extending to the right.

Jessica M. Long
On behalf of John Stivers, Secretary
Oceana County Planning Commission