

Helena Township Planning Commission Meeting Minutes
January 9, 2025 @ 5:00pm
8751 Helena Road, Alden, Michigan 49612

Call to Order: Vice Chair Mike Robinson called the meeting to order at 5:02pm.

Pledge of Allegiance: All in room participated.

Roll Call: Present – J. Gurr, M. Robinson, G Schafer, F. VandenBerg
Absent – S. Moglovkin and J. Bassil

Township Officials Present: Butch Peeples, Jim Schilling and Bob Logee

Approval of Agenda: J. Gurr motioned to approve agenda and F. VandenBerg seconded. Motion approved.

Statement of Conflict of Interest: No conflicts

Approval of November 07, 2024 Minutes: J. Gurr motioned to approved minutes and F. VandenBerg seconded. Motion approved.

Communications:

- Introduction of Jim Schilling

Public Comment:

1. There was a short discussion requesting the Helena Township Planning Commission consider the Master Plan output results when prioritizing potential ordinance revisions/updates;
2. Inquiry about status of a certified, signature required letter sent to both Helena Township Board and Helena Township Planning Commission (these were sent to the attorney – no updates at this time);
3. Inquiries about (a) Zoom status to be used at Public Hearing meetings, (b) Helena Township Junk pick up day, and (c) update regarding Cedar Shores.

New Business:

- Zoning Administrator Report: Submission of November and December 2024 reports were shared. There were no questions;
- Definitions for ordinance language at Section 1.03 – Definitions were discussed and language approved for attorney review;
- Language for Ordinance – Private Water Front Access at Section 5.02.01 was discussed, updated and approved for attorney review;

- Language for Ordinance – Restriction Applicable to Property Abutting Lakes, Rivers or Streams at Section 5.02.02 was discussed, updated and approved for attorney review;

Old Business:

- No old business.

Adjourn:

- M. Robinson motioned to adjourn and F. VandenBerg seconded. January 9th, 2025 meeting adjourned at 6:15pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Fay M. VandenBerg, Helena Township Planning Commission Recording Secretary

Approved at the February 6th, 2025 Helena Township Planning Commission meeting.