



**COHOCTAH PLANNING COMMISSION**  
**MEETING**  
**May 04, 2023 at 7:00 PM**  
**Waters Edge Camp & Conference Center, Howell**  
**Michigan**

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## MINUTES

### CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 7:02pm.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE** – *Moment of Silence*

### ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Tony Tyler, Chrissy DeFrancisco, Mark Cican, Phil Charette, Jessica Buttermore, Kyle Engel, Zoning Administrator Fred Buckner, Attorney Michael Homier. ABSENT: Mike Jolliff

### APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion made by Charette, Seconded by Cican to approve the agenda as amended, switching Solar Ordinance Review and Master Plan Review. Voting Yea: Tyler, DeFrancisco, Cican, Charette, Buttermore, Engel, motion carried.

### APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. Minutes 04-06-2023

Motion made by Engel, Seconded by DeFrancisco to approve the minutes of 04-06-2023 as presented. Voting Yea: Tyler, DeFrancisco, Cican, Charette, Buttermore, Engel, motion carried.

### CALL TO THE PUBLIC

### MATTERS PERTAINING TO THE GENERAL PUBLIC

The Chairman reminded the public of Large Item Day and the Township Survey.

2. Master Plan Review

The Master Plan was reviewed and discussed.

### UNFINISHED BUSINESS

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### **3. Review of Proposed Solar Ordinance and Set Public Hearing Date**

The proposed ordinance was reviewed and changes discussed.

Motion made by Charette, Seconded by Engel to schedule the Public Hearing for the proposed Solar Ordinance and amend text in Section 20. on June 1, 2023 to be held at the Water's Edge Camp & Conference Center. Voting Yea: Tyler, DeFrancisco, Cican, Charette, Buttermore, Engel, motion carried.

## **CALL TO THE PUBLIC**

Clint Beach- (Emailed comments) Has 3 concerns, set backs relative to lot size, overlay district changing. Violations for land owners, screening to give minimum standard.

Frank Kersanti- What is owner's roll? Who gets violation? All drawings sealed by architect.

Joann Haas- (written comment submitted) Escrow application, dust filtration, silt fencing, set back for Victorian house in overlay increased. Do panels have to be 16ft? Grazing could be done under 10ft. Containment system for transmission panels, annual testing for sound, times worked, fines, complaint compliance, money to correct issues, 25 million for insurance, hold land owners accountable.

Robert Hopkins- 600 acres leased, who selected the site and why? Banner- For the greater good of the people of MI. Why the area selected and not a farmers? SD277 bill introduced, Banner- MI needs green energy and you should allow.

Mary Ann Barger- High water table, broken panels in water, what happens to clean up money?

Jason Street- Betterly road is in terrible shape.

Mary Ratelle- Increase traffic will further damage roads.

Joann Haas- Overlay district is good. Thank you.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

Motion made by Tyler, Seconded by Charette to adjourn the meeting at 9:11pm.

Voting Yea: Tyler, DeFrancisco, Cican, Charette, Buttermore, Engel, motion carried.