

SANDS TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION
MINUTES
Special Meeting
August 18, 2020

1. Call to Order at 6:30 PM by Planning Commission Chair S. Brauer
2. Roll Call: S. Brauer, S. Sundell, P. Lajewski-Pearson, J. Yelle & C. Bushong
 - a. Absent: None
 - b. Others in Attendance: Randy Yelle, Carolyn Kerkela, Rich VanderVeen, Courtney Timmons (Savion), and also Gabe Johnson (CCI), Emma Tajchman and Christina Martens (Savion) via phone.
3. Approval of Agenda: Motion by C. Bushong, Supported by S. Sundell, to approve agenda as presented. Ayes: 5 Nays: 0 Motion Carried.
4. Approval of Meeting Minutes of July 21, 2020: Motion by J. Yelle, Supported by C. Bushong, to approve the minutes as presented. Ayes: 5 Nays: 0 Motion Carried.
5. Public Comment: R. VanderVeen & Courtney Timmons requested time to speak on item 6a.
6. Business:
 - a. Public Hearing - Zoning Ordinance Amendment 01-20-01
 - i. S. Brauer opened Public Hearing at 6:36
 - A. Staff Input– R. Yelle gave input; he received no inquiries or negative comments from the public.
 - B. Public Input – Courtney Timmons introduced himself and is available for questions. Gabe Johnson was also available for questions, and said Cliffs has no concerns about the project. Emma Tajchman gave some suggested clarifications to the amendment, which included fencing requirements, clarification on setbacks, site plan review requirements, and the length of time before a system is considered abandoned.
 - ii. S. Brauer closed Public Hearing at 6:50.
 - iii. **Motion by P. Lajewski-Pearson, Supported by C. Bushong, that after conducting the required Public Hearing, reviewing the Township's Zoning Ordinance & Master Plan, and receiving staff and public input, the Planning Commission hereby recommends the Sands Township Board of Trustees adopt Zoning Ordinance amendment 01-20-01 as amended. Ayes: 5 Nays: 0 Motion Carried.**

- b. Review of Driveway Permit ZCP2020-32

Motion by C. Bushong, Supported by P. Lajewski-Pearson, to approve Randy signing and approving ZCP2020-32, request for a driveway off M553. Ayes: 5 Nays: 0 Motion Carried.

7. Administrative Report:

- a. Violation Report: R. Yelle gave an update on violations and progress in the Township.
- b. Authority Update: R. Yelle gave an update on MCSWMA activity and progress for the new recycling program.

8. Public Comment: None

9. S. Brauer adjourned meeting at 7:06 PM.

S. Brauer
Chairman

P. Lajewski-Pearson
Secretary

C. Kerkela
Recording Secretary