

BEAR LAKE TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION

7771 Lake Street

Bear Lake, Michigan 49614

April 11, 2017

Quarterly Meeting

Bear Lake Township Planning Commission

The meeting was called to order at 7:10 pm by Vice chair, JR Bowling. Roll call was taken.

Planning commission members present: Janette May, Cindy Zatarga, Jr. Bowling, Bill Merriman and Greg Hehl.

Minutes from our previous meeting on October 11, 2016 were read and reviewed. Motion by Bill Merriman and second by Janette May to approve the minutes as printed. All in favor.

The slate of new officers is Chairperson, Bill Merriman, Vice chair, JR Bowling and secretary, Cindy Zatarga. Motion by Cindy Zatarga and second by Janette May to accept the slate of new officers. All in favor.

The Manistee County Planning Commission approved the wind energy, medical marijuana, and accessory buildings ordinances with a few minor corrections to the wind energy systems ordinance.

The Bear Lake Township has concerns about the accessory building ordinance. They want to be sure it specifies there will be no accessory building built without a dwelling. We agreed but added two contingencies to the ordinance. The first was to let an accessory building to be built with a dwelling to be built within a year of the accessory building going up or face a penalty. The second would be the ability to seek a special use permit for special circumstances. Motion by Cindy Zatarga and second by JR Bowling to accept these two contingencies to the accessory building ordinance.

All in favor.

We reviewed the recently approved building permits submitted by Vern Bowling, Zoning Administrator.

There being no further business, motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:42p.m. by Greg Hejl and seconded by JR. Bowling. All in favor. Our next meeting will be the quarterly meeting on July 11, 2017.

Respectively submitted,



Cindy Zatarga, Secretary

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