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WHITEHALL TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES

AUGUST 3, 2022

1. **CALL TO ORDER:** Chair Molly Morin called the meeting to order at 6 p.m.
2. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** The Pledge was said by all in attendance.
3. **ROLL CALL:** Bobby DeCair and Angel Quinn were absent; Kathy Dusseau, Madge Kraai, Morin, Amy Rusin and Sharon Sikkenga were present. Also present were Arnie Erb, Supervisor, Kaleb Hubert, Carmen Rodriguez, Tom Rusin and Scott Erdman.
4. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA:** Motion by Dusseau, supported by Sikkenga to approve agenda with the addition of Bobby DeCair's resignation under New Business, motion carried.
5. **APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES:** Motion by Rusin, supported by Kraai to accept June 1, 2022 minutes as printed, motion carried.
6. **PUBLIC HEARING FOR Sixteen (16th) Amendment to Whitehall Township Zoning Ordinance-Article 30 Special Events:** Regular meeting adjourned at 6:04 p.m., Public Hearing called to order by Morin at 6:05 p.m. Morin asked for any public comments on any of the Sections 3001-3009, there were none. Public Hearing closed at 6:07 p.m.
7. **REGULAR MEETING /PUBLIC COMMENTS:** Erdman commented that he does not have any events planned at this time.
8. **UNFINISHED BUSINESS: A.** Motion by Kraai, supported by Sikkenga to approve 16th Amendment, Sections 3001-3009-Special Events. Roll Call: Yes: Dusseau, Kraai, Morin, Rusin, Sikkenga, Absent: DeCAir and Quinn, motion carried. **B:** Master Plan-Mandy, office assistant working on making updates, also there has been a Parks and Recreation Committee formed to replace the Blue Ribbon Committee, those members are Tim Hicks, Stan Jones, Arnie Erb and Kathy Dusseau. That committee will be making some recommendations to be included in the Master Plan. This committee are volunteers. **(C)** Morin stated that she had received an e-mail from DeCair that he would be resigning from the Planning Commission. It was suggested that Dusseau send Bobby a card in appreciation of his years on the Commission.
9. **NEW BUSINESS:** No new business at this time.
10. **CORRESPONDENCE:** None

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Bobby DeCair Resigned from P.C.

11. PUBLIC COMMENT: Erdman reported that he is planning a tire recycling business to be placed on property formally the waste water area. A current business owner in southwest Michigan is retiring. The business would shred the tires, there would be no burning of material. Mr. Erdman is currently working with EGLE at the state level, also with the county for a driveway permit and the fire department. Currently a part of Sherman Blvd. in Muskegon will be using shredded tires along with cement on one lane next year in an experiment. His operation will start out small and hopefully expand to be able to hire additional employees. When permits are obtained, he will approach the Township for the necessary Special Use permit. Mr. Erdman wanted to give the Planning Commission a heads up for his upcoming project.

Ms. Rodriguez stated that she lives at 8630 N. Durham Road, her property is zoned small farm currently. There is a small out building on property that is not usable. They would like to build a small building about 350 square feet or renovate current building which is 576 square feet to use as overflow when family visit. After discussion, it was suggested that they apply for a variance (quicker) or the Township could redo the ordinance which would take several months. They will get back with Township on their decision.

12. Motion by Rusin, supported by Sikkenga to adjourn meeting at 6:35 p.m.
Motion carried. Next regular meeting September 7, 2022 at 6 p.m.

Molly Morin
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Date

Angel Quinn, Vice-Chair

Kathy Dusseau
Kathy Dusseau, Secretary

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