

Ford River Township Planning Commission  
Regular Meeting Minutes  
March 2, 2022

Meeting was called to Order at 7:00 pm by K. Mineau and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Present: P. Dagenais, K. Jaeger, J. Church, K. Mineau. Absent: S. Csazak

**Public Comment on Agenda Items** - None

**Conflict of Interest Declaration** - None

**Public Hearing** - None

**Minutes**

- Planning Commission meeting minutes from February 2, 2022 were approved with a motion by P. Dagenais, seconded by J. Church. Unanimous approval.
- Planning Commission special meeting minutes from February 16, 2022 were approved with a motion by J. Church, seconded by K. Jaeger. Unanimous approval.

**Reports**

- Zoning Administrator C. Detiege provided the commission with the February Zoning Administrators Report.

**Permits** - None

**Special Use Permit Applications / ZBA Applications** - None

**Unfinished Business**

- Potential Zoning Changes - Tabled.
- Marijuana - The commission discussed the opinions of the members of the public, did not have a huge response. A large concern for folks was the smell. The commission is going to look at our current ordinance and master plan to see if we were to allow, where we would allow. It will be discussed further at the next meeting to put a recommendation in to the Township Board.
- Short Term Rentals - A lengthy discussion was had by the commission, looking at the opinions of the residents of Ford River. A large concern is enforcement, whether it is allowed or not. Zoning Administrator Detiege is working with the new township lawyer on this. The commission would like to give them time to work.

**New Business**

- Master Plan / Ordinance - Zoning Administrator spoke with CUPPAD about a new Master Plan, as well as the possibility of a new Ordinance. Cost of the Master Plan would be about 20,000, while the ordinance would be about 15,000. The commission would like to see the Master Plan updated and Zoning Administrator Detiege will talk to the Township Board about it.

**Communications**

- Emails regarding Short Term Rentals / Marijuana

**Public Comment on Non-Agenda Items** -

A motion to adjourn was made by K. Jaeger seconded by J. Church. Unanimous approval.  
Meeting was adjourned at 8:03 pm.

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