

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF UNION
Planning Commission
Regular Meeting Minutes

A regular meeting of the Charter Township of Union Planning Commission was held on August 15, 2023, at 7:00 p.m. at the Union Township Hall.

Meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m.

Roll Call

Present:

Albrecht, Gross, Lapp, McDonald, Shingles, Squattrito, and Thering

Excused:

Buckley and LaBelle

Others Present

Mark Stuhldreher, Township Manager; Peter Gallinat, Zoning Administrator; Tera Green, Administrative Assistant

Approval of Agenda

Thering moved Lapp supported to approve the agenda as presented. Vote: Ayes: 7. Nays: 0.

Motion Carried

Approval of Minutes

Thering moved Gross supported to approve the regular meeting minutes from July 18, 2023 as presented. Vote: Ayes: 7. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

Correspondence / Reports/ Presentations

- A. Board of Trustees updates by Thering – No updates were given.
- B. ZBA updates by Buckley – No updates were given.
- C. Community and Economic Development Monthly Report
- D. Other Reports – N/A
- E. Link to video of the Mount Pleasant Tiny Homes Project for the Homeless – introductory Presentation to the Board of Trustees on 7/26/23

Public Comment

Open 7:11 p.m.

No comments were offered.

Closed 7:11 p.m.

Other Business

A. Master Plan Update

- a. Continuation of Planning Commission evaluation of the remaining Policy Statements from the 2018 Master Plan document, starting with (J) Transportation Plan
- b. Planning Commission Discussion of Township Survey questions, with any recommendations for changes or additions

The Planning Commission continued their discussion of the Policy Statements from the 2018 Master Plan document starting with (J) Transportation Plan. It was the general consensus of the Commission to address what category electric scooters will fall in when updating the Master Plan and to add another category under "Transportation Plan" to address wheelchair accessibility. There was discussion if the word "require" is the appropriate word in the statement (J)(1)(d) "Require transportation impact studies during development review to ensure walking, biking, and transit facilities are as safe and convenient as road facilities."

The Planning Commission finished reviewing the Policy Statements from the 2018 Master Plan documents and began reviewing the 2016 Residents Survey. The Commissioners identified questions that they would like added to the upcoming survey. It was the general consensus of the Commission that a section on Renewable Energy should be added to the Survey.

Extended Public Comments

Open: 8:31 p.m.

No comments were offered.

Closed 8:32 p.m.

Final Board Comment

N/A

Adjournment – Chair Squattrito adjourned the meeting at 8:32 p.m.

APPROVED BY:

(Recorded by Tera Green)



Doug LaBelle – Secretary

Tera Albrecht – Vice Secretary