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**Approved Minutes Regular  
Meeting  
Mecosta Township Planning Commission  
May 7, 2024**

1. CALL TO ORDER: Meeting called to order at 6:01 P.M.
2. PLEDGE
3. ROLL CALL: present: Pat Langworthy, Ken Draves, Troy Beeney, Mark Kidd, Howard Bowersox.  
Absent Linda Bechaz, James Cain. Also, present Michele Graham Zoning Administrator.
4. APPROVAL AGENDA  
Mark Kidd made a motion to approve the agenda. Troy Beeney seconded. 5 yeas 0 nays motion carried.
5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES  
Mark Kidd made a motion to approve the Meeting Minutes April 9, 2024, seconded Troy Beeney. 5 yeas 0 nays motion carried.
6. COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC AND COMMUNICATIONS CONCERNING MATTERS NOT ON THE AGENDA – None
7. PUBLIC HEARING - PSU240001  
Troy P. Beeney, 23769 7 Mile Rd., Stanwood, MI 49346, parcel 54 09 031 003 002 is requesting a Special Use Permit for a rustic 4 site campground. The 10 acre parcel is in the AF district where camping is allowed, by special use. 2 lots will have 30 amp electric service. All sites will have use of Porta Potties. If sites continue to be used, Troy will continue to upgrade sites.  
  
6:13 p.m. James Cain arrived.  
  
6:14 p.m. Open Hearing for PSU240001 – No Public Comment  
6:15 p.m. Close Public Comment  
  
Pat Langworthy asked Camper or Tents? Troy stated they can have both.  
Pat Langworthy asked if there is access from the Dragon Trail. Troy stated no access for the Dragon Trail, they will have to access camp sites from 7 Mile Rd.  
  
Howard Bowersox asked if Mecosta County Road Commission approval is needed. Troy stated that there was a driveway there and he plans to reconstruct the driveway.  
  
James Cain asked how the neighbors felt about the campground. Troy stated that his neighbor to the West is fine with the campground if they stay within the boundaries of the campground. If it becomes a problem, Troy will shut the campground down.  
  
Mark Kidd made a motion to approve PSU240001. Second by Ken Draves. Roll call vote Pat Langworthy - yes, Ken Draves - yes, Mark Kidd - yes, Howard Bowersox - yes, James Cain – yes. Motion carried

8. New Business – None

9. Old Business – None

10. Public Comment-

Jim Doyle questioned why “Event Venue” wasn’t on the agenda. Howard Bowersox stated that the commission never knows how long a Special Use hearing will take, so we did not schedule any other item.

Jim stated that he is not in favor of a historical barn in the event venue ordinance. He would like a definition of historic barn.

James Douglas would like to have a campground.

11. Announcements – none

Adjournment – James Cain made a motion to adjourn at 6:45 p.m., Second by Mark Kidd. 6 yeas 0 nays motion carried.