

Saugatuck Township Planning Commission
Special Committee on Economic Development

Regular Meeting Minutes
June, 1, 2021
Meeting at Township Hall

Call to Order:

Planning Commissioner Jon Helmrich called the meeting to order at 3:05PM

Roll Call:

Present: Missy Corey, Jon Helmrich, Dave Ihle, Michael Wurth, Kim Zdybel

Absent: None

Approval of Agenda:

5 – 0 vote to approve agenda.

Public Comment:

None.

Approval of the Minutes:

Not applicable as this was the first meeting of the committee.

Introduction of Members and Suggestions for Needed Businesses:

Suggestions included: A progressive retirement village and facility, More family activities, Affordable Housing, Agro-Tourism, and More-Year Round Employment opportunities.

New Business:

Vote on Chair and Vice-Chair: Helmrich and Ihle. Vote was 5-0 to approve.

Vote on Secretary: Wurth. Vote was 5 – 0 to approve.

Committee Procedures and Goals: Helmrich led a discussion on the following:

No more than 2 committee members can meet without holding an official public meeting of the committee; members were given a copy of the Tri-Community Master Plan and the Township's Zoning Ordinances for review and study; request to bring top five Master Plan or Ordinances for possible review to next meeting; possible guests to invite to future meetings such as Lake Shore Advantage, Saugatuck-Douglas Area Business Association, Gun Lake Investments, etc.; challenges to businesses such as the awarding of liquor licenses; use of Teams software; and meeting schedule.

July meeting will be delayed one week due to the 4th of July holiday. Committee will meet on Tuesday, July 13 at 3:00pm at Township Hall.

Public Comment:

None.

Commissioner Comments:

None.

Adjournment:

Meeting was adjourned at 4:20pm.