

**Minutes**  
**Sanilac Township Planning Commission**

October 7, 2021  
Sanilac Township Hall  
Port Sanilac, MI 48469

**Meeting Called to Order** by Chairman J. Goike at 7:00 P.M

**Pledge of Allegiance.**

**Members Present:** Chairman J. Goike, B. Dear, C. Falls, M. Milarch, K. Steeb  
Board Representative B. Noelke, Zoning Administrator R. Milarch,  
Guests: Two (2)

**Additions to the Agenda:**None

**Approve the Agenda:** *Motion “to approve the agenda” by M. Milarch; seconded by C. Falls; motion carried*

**Public Comment:** None

**Approve Minutes:**

*Motion “to approve the minutes of the September 2, 2021 regular meeting” by M. Milarch; seconded by K. Steeb; motion carried*

**Board Representative Report:**

B. Noelke reported that Chairman J. Goike should be the person from the Planning Commission to contact the township’s lawyer about any legal advice or ordinance reviews. He also mentioned that the Planning Commission emails were all set up and ready for use, and passed out copies of everyone’s new township email, as well as ordinances from Elk Township and Buel Township on electric franchise and caregivers cultivation of marijuana.

**Zoning Administrator July Report:**

1. 2363 S. Lakeshore Rd. a 30’ x 50’ garage
2. 6550 Suerweir Rd. a 36’ x 64’ pole barn
3. 436 N. Lakeshore Rd. a 2200 sq. ft. new home
4. 5400 Washington Rd. 32’ x 24’ covered deck
5. 6756 Derby Rd. new deck and porch
6. 926 N. Lakeshore Rd. 750’ or less fence

ZA Milarch reported that he has had another three calls in the last month about growing marijuana in the township. He referred them again to the township’s Prohibition of Marijuana Establishments Ordinance.

**Accept the Reports:**

**Motion “to accept the reports as presented” by C. Falls; seconded by M. Milarch; motion carried**

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**Old Business:**

Marijuana Ordinance-Secondary Electrical Service: Lengthy discussion about a medical marijuana caregiver's ordinance, and an electrical service compliance ordinance. Reviewed several ordinances from other townships and villages.

**Motion** by B. Dear "to send the Village of Port Sanilac's Home Occupations-Medical Use of Marijuana and Facility Requirements ordinance to the township's lawyer David Hearsch for his review as an ordinance to modify for the township's needs"; seconded by M. Milarch; **motion carried**

**Motion** by B. Noelke "to send the electrical service compliance ordinance from Deerfield Township in Lapeer County to the township's lawyer, David Hearsch for his review as an ordinance to modify for the township's needs"; seconded by B. Dear; **motion carried**

Violations and Penalties Section 3.10: B. Dear presented a modified rough draft for the commission to review of Section 3.10 in the zoning ordinance with the harsh penalties of misdemeanor and jail time removed. Brief discussion and agreement with the wording. No further action taken at this time. B. Noelke distributed copies of Lexington Township's ordinance on "Administration and Enforcement" to review, and it will be added to next month's agenda.

**New Business:**

Planning Commission Email Accounts: Discussion about the new email accounts and how to access and use them. B. Dear will send out the agenda for November using both the new and old email accounts to make sure that everyone gets the information in one account or the other. Chairman J. Goike asked everyone to set up their new email account, and contact the township clerk for help if needed.

**Next Regular Meeting:** Thursday, November 4, 2021 6:00 PM

**Motion to Adjourn**

**Motion** "to adjourn" by M. Milarch; seconded by B. Noelke; **motion carried**

**Meeting Adjourned** by Chairman Goike at 8:00 P.M.

Submitted by: Bob Dear  
Planning Commission Secretary