

**Lake Township Planning Commission
Meeting Minutes
September 15, 2022**

The Lake Township Planning Commission held a regular scheduled meeting on Thursday, September 15, 2022 at 6:30 pm at Lake Township Hall (5153 Scenic Hwy, Honor MI).

J. Rothhaar called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm

Members Present;

John Rothhaar Mark Janeczko Carl Lightfoot Kyle Orr Jackie Randall

Others Present; Bob Blank, Township Zoning Administrator and Maureen Jeannot, Recorder

Public Input on Agenda; Eleven people were present with no input on the Agenda.

Meeting Minutes; Minutes from the Regular Meeting June 16, 2022, the Special Meeting June 16, 2022 and the Special Meeting August 11, 2022 were approved as presented.

Correspondence; None

Master Plan;

Handouts include 1) 6/16/22 Notes, 2) Public Survey Results, 3) Public Input Appendix and 4) LTMP Potential Goals & Objectives (on file).

a. Survey Results (on file) will be posted on the Lake Township Website, Laketwp.org, and will be available at the Township Office. Results will also be sent to the NPS, Benzie Co Road Commission, Neighboring Townships and County Commissioner Art Jeannot. Results of the survey were discussed.

b. There may be a need to look at current ordinances and consider enforcement of them if necessary. Objective topics include Short Term Rental Assessment, Zoning Review, and a Parks and Recreation Supplement or amend the current document.

c. There is general agreement to review the current zoning ordinances with the public survey and decide if changes are needed. It was suggested to review and compare the current Lake Township ordinance alongside the two watershed plans to assess any necessary changes. A possible Parks and Recreation Supplement to the Master Plan was discussed. A supplement could be used to apply for grants but may be unnecessary given the modest parks improvements that seem likely. Further assessment of a parks supplement will be conducted. Ongoing objectives would include inviting an update report from the Zoning Administrator, the NPS, and Lake Associations which would be included on an agenda every other year. A draft of the Master Plan should be ready by the November 17, 2022 meeting to approve and give to the Township Board for Public Hearing.

Public comments: Mary Rogers commented on the survey reports. Mary Goodman commented on the Parks and Recreation Supplement to the Master Plan.

New Business; None

Old Business;

a. The Park Ridge Subdivision public hearing is to be held on September 29, 2022. A report from Grand Traverse Engineering, LLC was received (on file).

Other Zoning Matters; None

Public Input; None

Adjournment: Meeting was adjourned at 7:55 pm. The next Meetings are as follows:
September 29, 2022 at 6:30 pm - Special Meeting | November 17, 2022 at 6:30 pm - Regular Planning Commission Meeting

Respectfully submitted
Maureen Jeannot, Recording Secretary
September 15, 2022