

**Lake Township Planning Commission  
Meeting Minutes  
November 16, 2023**

The Lake Township Planning Commission held a meeting on Thursday, November 16, 2023, 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 were Wilfred Swiecki, Platte Lake Assoc; Maureen Jeannot, recorder

No public input on agenda.

Minutes from September 14, 2023 and October 20, 2023 were approved as presented.

A letter from Platte Lake Improvement Association was received. (on file)

Motion by K. Orr to approve meeting dates for 2024, seconded by M. Janeczko. All ayes.

2024 Meeting dates are as follows:

January 11, 2024	6:30 pm	February 22, 2024	6:30 pm
April 25, 2024	6:30 pm	June 20, 2024	6:30 pm
August 22, 2024	6:30 pm	October 24, 2024	6:30 pm

Old Business;

(a) An update was given on Park Ridge Subdivision.

(b) Applications are being taken for a Code Enforcement Officer.

(c) There was discussion on Watershed Zoning Ordinances. Carl Lightfoot and Jackie Randall will serve on a cross jurisdiction committee related to all watershed zoning in Lake Township and make recommendations. It was suggested to add zoning from rules/laws already in place by the Health Department related to septic systems. It was also suggested to create compliance for lakefront clearance by land owners and/or contractors. Perhaps there is a way to educate about requirements when land use permits are applied for. Platte Lake Improvement Association (PLIA) sees a need for information to be posted (online) that is searchable for questions regarding zoning and who to call regarding specific circumstances. Also the PLIA suggests a compliance checklist for property owners. A motion was made by M. Janeczko to adopt a resolution to support a phosphorus fertilizer ban and for possible inclusion and integration in watershed overlay districts. Second by J. Randall. All ayes. Motion passed.

No new business.

No other zoning matters.

Public Input; Wilfred Swiecki asked for minutes from previous Planning Commission meetings. Comment was made that someone should be able to represent 'the lake' in zoning variance hearings when applicable.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:22 pm.

Scheduled meetings: January 11, 2024, February 22, 2024, April 25, 2024, June 20, 2024, August 22, 2024, October 24, 2024

Respectfully submitted

Maureen Jeannot, Recording Secretary | November 16, 2023