

BAY TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION
Regular Meeting Minutes
January 3, 2023
Bay Township Hall

CALL TO ORDER

Dave Skornia (Chair) called the meeting to order at 7:00PM and led with the Pledge of Allegiance. Also, in attendance were: Joe Jones (Secretary), Nancy Blandford (ZBA Rep), Barb Mathes-Alguire (PC Vice-Chair and Parks and Rec Rep), Steve Van Dam (Board of Trustees Rep), Daniel Lisonbee and Jamie Shepherd. Also present: Ron Van Zee (Zoning Administrator) and Kristin Baranski (Recording Secretary)

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

AGENDA AND

PRIOR MEETING MINUTES

MOTION BY Blandford, seconded by Mathes-Alguire to approve the amended December 6, 2022 regular Planning Commission meeting minutes and the presented January 3, 2023 agenda passed upon unanimous affirmation vote of the Board Members.

Yeas: Skornia, Blandford, Mathes-Alguire, Jones, Van Dam, Lisonbee, Shepherd

Nays: None

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Public comments opened at 7:02 pm. Comments included: issues with docks at Villa De Charlevoix (which was platted prior to Zoning Ordinance); residents are concerned that additional docks are encroaching on public areas, esp. the swim area; Army Corps has recently discovered that newer docks never had a permit issued and the Villa board needs to address; Township's rule regarding docks is 1 dock per 100 feet of frontage with a maximum of 3 motorized vessels

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

MOTION BY Mathes-Alguire, seconded by Blandford to open nominations for Chair passed upon unanimous affirmation vote of the Board Members.

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Yeas: Skornia, Blandford, Jones, Mathes-Alguire, Van Dam, Lisonbee, Shepherd

Nays: None

MOTION BY Blandford, seconded by Mathes-Alguire to nominate Skornia for Chair of Planning Commission passed upon unanimous affirmation vote of the Board Members.

Yeas: Blandford, Jones, Mathes-Alguire, Van Dam, Lisonbee, Shepherd

Nays: None

Abstain: Skornia

MOTION BY Blandford, seconded by Jones to close nominations for Chair passed upon unanimous affirmation vote of the Board Members.

Yeas: Skornia, Blandford, Jones, Mathes-Alguire, Van Dam, Lisonbee, Shepherd

Nays: None

MOTION BY Blandford, seconded by Shepherd to open nominations for Vice-Chair passed upon unanimous affirmation vote of the Board Members.

Yeas: Skornia, Blandford, Jones, Mathes-Alguire, Van Dam, Lisonbee, Shepherd

Nays: None

MOTION BY Blandford, seconded by Van Dam to nominate Barb Mathes-Alguire for Vice-Chair of Planning Commission passed upon unanimous affirmation vote of the Board Members.

Yeas: Blandford, Jones, Van Dam, Lisonbee, Shepherd, Skornia

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Nays: None

Abstain: Mathes-Alguire,

MOTION BY Blandford, seconded by Jones to close nominations for Vice-Chair passed upon unanimous affirmation vote of the Board Members.

Yeas: Skornia, Blandford, Jones, Mathes-Alguire, Van Dam, Lisonbee, Shepherd

Nays: None

MOTION BY Blandford, seconded by Shepherd to open nominations for Secretary passed upon unanimous affirmation vote of the Board Members.

Yeas: Skornia, Blandford, Jones, Mathes-Alguire, Van Dam, Lisonbee, Shepherd

Nays: None

MOTION BY Blandford, seconded by Van Dam to nominate Jones for Secretary passed upon unanimous affirmation vote of the Board Members.

Yeas: Blandford, Skornia, Mathes-Alguire, Van Dam, Lisonbee, Shepherd

Nays: None

Abstain: Jones

MOTION BY Blandford, seconded by Shepherd to close nominations for Secretary passed upon unanimous affirmation vote of the Board Members.

Yeas: Skornia, Blandford, Jones, Mathes-Alguire, Van Dam, Lisonbee, Shepherd

Nays: None

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2022 YEAR IN REVIEW

2022 Year in Review was presented and discussed.

2023 BAY TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION GOALS

1. Finish Article 6
2. Continue work on Article 17
3. Continue work on improving Zoning Permit Application
4. Review and amend if needed Article 4.27, Home Businesses
5. Explore Renewable Energy possibilities
6. Short Term Rentals and effect on community
7. Lot Splits/non-conforming adjacent combine/density

ARTICLE 17 BRI LANGUAGE REVIEW

Sara Kopriva (BRI) provided Draft 12.22.22 for review

- PC Members discussed the latest draft of Article 6
- Latest draft has been condensed from 5 pages to 1.5 pages thanks to the work of each member on the PC
- Skornia will submit edits to Kopriva

ZONING ADMINISTRATOR REPORT

Van Zee presented an oral report. Van Zee reminded the PC members review page 16 (Cottage Industries) for upcoming meetings.

ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS REPORT

Blandford reported a ZBA

BOARD OF TRUSTEES REPORT

Van Dam presented an oral report.

OTHER CORRESPONDANCES

N/A

PUBLIC COMMENTS Public comments opened and closed at 9:30 pm.

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ADJOURNMENT

**MOTION by Blandford, seconded by Van Dam, to adjourn at 9:31 pm,
passed upon unanimous affirmative vote of the Board Members.**

***Yeas: Skornia, Blandford, Jones, Mathes-Alguire, Van Dam, Lisonbee,
Shepherd***

Nays: None

Respectfully Submitted,

**Kristin Baranski
Recording Secretary**