

Caseville Township Planning Commission
October 8, 2024

Meeting called to order at 1:30 p.m. by Bob Whitefoot

Present: Bob Whitefoot, Chairperson
Kathy Wroblewski, Secretary
Charles Morden
Jim Klein
Ron George
Michelle Stirrett, Recording Secretary

Absent: Gail Atkins.

Motion by Morden second by Klein to approve the September 4, 2024 and September 17, 2024 minutes. **Motion carried.**

Board Liaison Report: Stirrett reported that the Board approved the contracts for APM Mosquito and the auditor, bonding for the Beadle Bay assessment and confirmed the assessment roll for Sandy Isles dredging, and extended the barndominium moratorium to March 2025.

November Meeting Date:

Motion by Morden second by Wroblewski to change the November meeting date to November 12, 2024 at 1:30 p.m. due to the election., **Motion carried.**

Accessory Buildings

Motion by Klein second by Morden to approve the accessory building for Mark McCrimmon. **Motion carried.**

Motion by Klein second by Morden to approve Jerald Ignash moving the pole barn from the City campground to the Ignash, Inc. property on Caseville Road. **Motion carried.**

Planning Commission By-Laws – Reviewed and to be discussed again in November.

Barndominium Moratorium: George presented a proposal for the issue of barndominiums in residential districts. Discussion was held on how best to address the landscaping, lighting and siding requirements. The issue will be further discussed at the November meeting.

Short term Rentals:

Those who took surveys at the September 17, 2024 workshop reported that around 25% of the approximate 500 surveys returned had problems with renters. Members distributed the remaining surveys to review and discuss at the November meeting.

Public Comments:

Hildred Fleming: She has a rental property twenty feet from her house, and it is not pleasant to come to her house. The police are called frequently and it is not a good use of their resources. Not everyone is affected but those who are close to rental properties are affected. If 1 person complains, then there is a problem.

Mike Pontack: Questioned the number of surveys returned. He has seen ads for VRBO and Airbnb where renter are advertised with all kinds of wild behavior, so the renters are emulating that behavior. His association restricts short term

rentals to a 30 day minimum and approval by the Board. They have been having issues with Sand Point Resort and renters/owners using their easement.

Board Comments:

Klein: Who settles easement problems?

George: If the police is involved that often, we should get a report on how many calls they get. He will work on a a draft ordinance for short term rentals. He questioned the method for compiling survey information. It was decided that the number of surveys reviewed, the number of rentals and future rentals and the number of complaints are the most important for compilation.

Meeting adjourned at 2:45 p.m.

NEXT MEETING: November 12, 2024

Michelle Stirrett
Recording Secretary