



# Jackson County Planning Commission

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## MEETING MINUTES

December 10, 2020

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**Members Present:** Mr. Eric Beda, Industry and Economics (virtually from Jackson); Mr. Timothy Burns, At Large (virtually from Napoleon); Ms. Nancy Hawley, At Large (virtually from Munith); Mr. Ted Hilleary, Education (virtually from Blackman); Mr. Russ Jennings, At Large (virtually from Leoni); Ms. Jennifer Morris, At Large (virtually from Clark Lake); and Mr. Jim Videto, Agriculture (virtually from Spring Arbor)

**Members Absent:** Mr. Corey Kennedy, Jackson County Board of Commissioners; and Mr. Roger Gaede, Environment

**Liaisons Present:** Mr. Grant Bauman, Principal Planner

**Others Present:** N/A

- Item 1. **Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance.** Chair Morris called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Those in attendance rose and joined in a virtual Pledge of Allegiance.
- Item 2. **Public Comment.** There was no public comment.
- Item 3. **Approval of Minutes.** Comm. Hilleary made a motion, seconded by Comm. Hawley, to **approve** the November 5, 2020, meeting minutes as presented. *The motion was approved unanimously.*
- Item 4. **Approval of the Agenda.** Comm. Videto made a motion, seconded by Comm. Jennings, to **approve** the December 10, 2020, meeting agenda as presented. *The motion was approved unanimously.*
- Item 5. **Request(s) for Review, Comment, and Recommendation.**
- a. **Consideration of Township Zoning Amendment(s).**

(1) **CZ | #20-15 | Summit Township**

Staff summarized his report regarding the proposed rezoning of the southern ½ (approximately) of a property, located on South Street and known as Parcel ID #640-13-11-327-013-00, to 'light industrial (I-1)'. Staff advised County Planning Commissioners to recommend **disapproval** of the rezoning, noting the incorrect placement of a condition on a conventional rezoning (please see the staff report).

Comm. Hawley and Comm. Videto wondered why the parking was not "grandfathered". Comm. Beda questioned why it was an issue now. Staff replied that he thought it was complaint based. Comm. Beda surmised that the impact on property values was an issue. Commissioners also discussed the fencing condition and how that action should have been part of a conditional rezoning. Comm. Videto made a motion, seconded by Comm. Burns, to recommend **disapproval with comments** of

the proposed 'I-1' rezoning to the Summit Township Board, suggesting that the applicant reapply under conditional rezoning. *Commissioners approved the motion by majority vote with Commissioners Jennings and Morris voting no.*

(2) **CZ | #20-15 | Columbia Township**

Staff summarized his report regarding the proposed rezoning of a property, located on M-50 just north of the Brooklyn Road junction and known as Parcel ID #000-20-31-101-001-10, to 'highway service commercial (C-3)'. Staff advised County Planning Commissioners to recommend **approval** of the rezoning (please see the staff report). Comm. Videto made a motion, seconded by Comm. Hilleary, to concur with the staff advisement to recommend **approval** of the proposed 'C-3' rezoning to the Summit Township Board. *Commissioners approved the motion unanimously.*

- b. **Consideration of Master Plan(s).** None.
- c. **Farmland & Open Space Preservation Program (PA 116) application(s).** None.

Item 6. **Other Business.**

- a. **Unfinished Business.** None.
- b. **New Business.**

**2021 Meeting & Submittal Deadline Schedules.** Staff presented the proposed meeting and submittal deadline schedules for the JCPC in 2021. Comm. Hilleary made a motion, seconded by Comm. Jennings, to recommend adopt the JCPC's 2021 meeting and submittal deadline schedules. *Commissioners approved the motion unanimously.*

Item 7. **Public Comment.** None.

Item 8. **Commissioner Comment.** Comm. Jennings asked about the reappointments to the Commission. Commissioners Beda, Morris, and Videto thanked staff.

Item 9. **Adjournment.** Chair Morris adjourned the meeting at 6:39 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by:  
Grant Bauman, Recording Secretary