



Jackson County Planning Commission

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MEETING MINUTES

March 10, 2022

5th Floor Commission Chambers • Jackson County Tower Building • Jackson, Michigan

Members Present: Mr. Roger Gaede, Environment; Ms. Nancy Hawley, At Large; Mr. Ted Hilleary, Education; Mr. Corey Kennedy, Jackson County Board of Commissioners; and Mr. Jim Videto, Agriculture

Members Absent: Mr. Eric Beda, Industry and Economics; Mr. Timothy Burns, At Large; Ms. Pat Gallagher, At Large; and Mr. Russ Jennings, At Large

Liaisons Present: Mr. Grant Bauman, Principal Planner

Others Present: None

Item 1. **Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance.** Chair Hawley called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Those in attendance rose and joined in the 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. Videto, to **approve** the February 10, 2022, meeting minutes as presented. *The motion was approved unanimously.*

Item 4. **Approval of the Agenda.** Comm. Videto made a motion, seconded by Comm. Hilleary, to **approve** the March 10, 2022, 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).** None.

b. **Consideration of Master Plan(s).** None.

c. **Farmland & Open Space Preservation Program (PA 116) application(s).** None.

Item 6. **Other Business.**

b. **Unfinished Business – Jackson County Master Plan.**

Commissioners reviewed the full draft of the Jackson County Master Plan prior to sending it to the County Board of Commissioners for review and release for public comment. Comm. Gaede suggested that areas of concern (i.e., endangered species) should be added to the plan. After some discussion, it was decided to add the following item as Action #7 under the Natural Resources goal (see pages 3-8 and 3-9 of the master plan):

7. Land owners should be aware of endangered species that may be present. Those plants and animals of concern should be protected. Check with the Jackson County Conservation District (www.jacksoncd.org).

Comm. Kennedy made a motion, seconded by Comm. Hilleary, to **approve** the master plan with the Commission's added recommendation. *The motion was approved unanimously.*

c. **New Business.** – 2021 JCPC Annual Report.

Comm. Kennedy had to depart, leaving the Commission without a quorum. Consequently, the vote on the 2021 JCPC Annual Report was postponed until the April 14, 2022, meeting.

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

Item 8. **Commissioner Comment.** Comm. Hawley announced proposed state legislation that would require primary caregivers (i.e., medical marijuana) to register the products they produce. Comm. Gaede spoke about his concerns regarding endangered species.

Item 9. **Adjournment.** Chair Hawley adjourned the meeting at 6:54 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by:

Grant Bauman, Recording Secretary