



Jackson County Planning Commission

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MEETING MINUTES

August 14, 2025

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

Members Present: Ms. Nancy Hawley, Chairperson; Mr. Corey Kennedy, Vice Chairperson, Jackson County Board of Commissioners; Ms. Mary Wolcott, At Large; Mr. Jim Minnick, Jr., Industrial and Economic Representative; Mr. Ted Hilleary, Education Representative; Mr. Kurt Cole, Environment

Members Absent: Ms. Pat Gallagher, At Large; Mr. Russell Jennings, At Large.

Staff Present: Mr. Kade Peck, Planner.

Others Present: None.

Item 1. **Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance.** Commissioner 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.** None

Item 3. **Approval of Minutes.** Comm. Cole made a motion, seconded by Comm. Hilleary, to approve the July 10, 2025, meeting minutes. *The motion was approved unanimously.*

Item 4. **Approval of the Agenda.** Comm. Wolcott made a motion to approve the agenda for August 14, 2025, seconded by Comm. Hilleary. *The motion was approved unanimously.*

Item 5. **Request(s) for Review, Comment, and Recommendation.**

a. **Consideration of Township Zoning Amendment(s).**

(1) **CZ | #25-18 | Leoni Township**

Staff referred to a report regarding a rezoning request for a zoning text amendment in Leoni Township about changes in wording around nonconforming uses. Debate occurred around the notice that was sent out and the zoning administrator having more authority in decision-making.

Comm. Wolcott made a motion to recommend **approval** of the rezoning, supported by Comm. Hilleary. *Commissioners took roll call and the recommendation passed.*

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.** None.

c. **Notices.** None.

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

Item 8. **Commissioner Comment.**

Commissioners discussed the need for updating master plans for the municipalities within Jackson County and asked staff how many municipalities within Jackson County are behind on their master plan updates.

Item 9. **Adjournment.**

Comm. Minnick, Jr. made a motion to adjourn, supported by Comm. Kennedy.
Commissioners approved the motion unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 6:48 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by:

Kade Peck, Recording Secretary