

# Marilla Township Planning Commission Meeting Minutes

Date: Tuesday, July 18, 2023, at 6:30

Opening of the meeting: Sonny Riewerts (appointed to temporarily replace Mike Picciotti)

Present: Steve Vegter, Pat Ellis, Misty Cudney, Sonny Riewerts, and Jan Thomas

Approval of the June 20<sup>th</sup>, 2023 minutes: Steve (1), Pat (2): approved.

## Old business:

This meeting is specifically for the purpose of conducting the review and update of the Marilla Township Master Plan as required every five years. We left off with Chapter 5, "Infrastructure and Facilities", pg. 34 at the last meeting.

## Chap. 5:

Pgs. 35,37 remain the same.

## Chapter 6, "Master Plan Goals & Objectives":

6-1.1, pg.39: change and add Purchase & Development Rights following PDR to facilitate meaning.

6-1.1, pg. 39: number 3; for "Junk Ordinance", change "Junk" to "Nuisance"

6-2.2 , pg. 40: change "zoning regulations" to "zoning and nuisance regulations" and for #2, change to "zoning and nuisance violations".

6-2.3, pg. 40: Change the word "Maintain" to "Allow" where used.

6-2.4, pg. 40: #1; add the following after "community": "and provides employment opportunities". Change "P.A. 116" to "Michigan Public Act 116". At the bottom of the pg., 1., eliminate "be" in the first sentence.

6-2.5, pg. 41: section #1, add "fiber optics" following "towers". Under "Monitor Township buildings.....": add " 2. Provide fire and rescue services."

6-2.6, pg. 41: under "Encourage proper...." Change 1. to "Make available information".... for development....

## Chapter 7: Future Land Use Plan

Pg. 43: At the top, change 2012 to "2023". Anticipate that the pg. 63 referred to will change with a new printing.

Pg. 44: In the second paragraph, line 5, eliminate "to a depth of 300 feet" and also eliminate the last sentence beginning with "All structures....".

Pgs. 49-53 will be eliminated. These pages include a survey conducted in 2007.

These changes bring us close to completing the required review except for graphs and tables that are needed. One of the things that needs our consideration is including language that addresses alternative energy matters such as solar and wind energy.

Next meeting: Tuesday, August 15, 2023, at 6:30.

Respectfully submitted,

Jan Thomas, secty.