

Schoolcraft Township Planning Commission

Minutes for: Monday, May 1, 2023

Commissioners:

Name	Present	Absent
Barry Visel (Chairman)	X	
David Aubry (Vice Chairman)	X	
Rich Bailey	X	
Eric Jasiak	X	
Tamra Stafford	X	
Jim Jastifer		X
Nathan Miersma		X

Also present:

Name	Description
Don Ulsh	Township supervisor
James Tuttle	Wolverine Power
Elizabeth Hill	Wolverine Power
Joe Hughes	Wolverine Power

Call to order

Chairman Visel opened the meeting at 6:00 pm.

Pledge of Allegiance

Approval of agenda

Commissioner Stafford motioned to approve the agenda, supported by Vice Chair Aubry. The motion carried 5-0.

Approval of previous meeting minutes

Vice Chair Aubry motioned to approve the meeting minutes from April 3, 2023, with two corrections supported by Commissioner Stafford. Motion carried 5-0.

Correction One: Commissioner Jasiak entered the meeting after roll call, but before any voting took place.

Correction Two: Danna Downing addressed the commission during the public comment period.

Public comments / citizen time: none

New business

Special Use Permit & Site plan review: Wolverine Power Cooperative

Chairman Visel opened the public hearing for the special use permit for Wolverine Power Cooperative at 6:03 pm. Representatives from Wolverine Power Cooperative explained the Cooperative's plan and design for upgrading the electrical infrastructure at the Schoolcraft substation. After their presentation they answered all the commissioners' questions. Chairman Visel closed the public hearing at 6:25 pm.

Vice Chair Aubry motioned that the submitted Special Use Permit application meets all requirements, supported by Commissioner Jesiak. The motion carried 5-0.

Vice Chair Aubry motioned that the submitted Site Plan application meets all requirements, supported by Commissioner Jesiak. The motion carried 5-0.

Old business:

The survey regarding the updating of the Master Plan has been amended. It is available via a QR Code in the article published in the May South County News. There is a May 30th deadline for responses.

Report from the Township Board

Commissioner Stafford provided a summary report of township board activities:

The competitive bidding process may not have been strictly followed. It may be necessary to rebid the snow removal and mowing contracts. The office will be closed July 3rd, the township contributed to South County Community Services and the mausoleum needs repair.

Report from the Zoning Board of Appeals: no report

A motion to adjourn was raised at 6:37 pm by Commissioner Stafford and seconded by Commissioner Jasiak. The motion carried 5-0

Respectfully submitted,

David Aubry, acting secretary