

**Pierson Township Planning Commission
Meeting Minutes
August 13, 2020**

7:00 pm

In accordance with Governor Gretchen Whitmer's Executive Order 2020-154 to address meetings of public bodies, such as township boards, village councils, county boards of commissioners, etc., required under the Open Meetings Act ("OMA"), MCL 15.261 et seq., in the wake of the novel coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic.

Acting under the Michigan Constitution of 1963 and Michigan law, Governor Gretchen Whitmer's Executive Order 2020-154 "I order the following: 1. Effective immediately and continuing until 28 days after any state of emergency arising from the COVID-19 pandemic, to the extent that the Open Meetings Act, 1976 PA 267, as amended, MCL 15.261 to 15.272 ("OMA") requires that a meeting of a public body be held in a physical place available to the general public or requires the physical presence of one or more members of a public body, strict compliance with section 3 of the OMA, MCL 15.263, is temporarily suspended in order to alleviate any such physical-place or physical presence requirements, as follows:

(a) A meeting of a public body may be held electronically, including by telephonic conferencing or video conferencing, in a manner in which both the general public and the members of the public body may participate by electronic means." (full verbiage is posted on township website or upon request).

A. Meeting

1. Call to order: 7:33 pm * Quorum at 7:33 pm

2. Pledge of allegiance

3. Roll Call:

Present: Moore, Ward, Gould

Phone/Late: Erickson

Absent: Johnson

B. Public Comments – moved up in agenda until quorum was present

1. Ron & Bonnie Kopp of 200 George K Dr, Sand Lake had question on accessory building/garage sizing, they are to submit new plans for review.

C. Approval of Meeting Agenda

Motion: Gould

2nd: Ward

Aye: all

Nay: none

D. Approval of April 30, 2020 Master Plan and Meeting Minutes.

Motion: Gould

2nd: Erickson

Aye: all

Nay: none

E. Property at 23979 Hooker Dr, Pierson: tabled until next meeting

F. Hold public hearing on October 15, 2020 to review [ordinance] for sizing of accessory buildings to take into consideration practical construction needs.

Motion: Ward

2nd: Gould

Aye: all

Nay: none

G. Committee to review (4) Wind Energy Ordinance(s) for informed discussion at the October 15, 2020 meeting (Casnovia Supervisor or Zoning Admin to be invited).

H. Processes & forms to be reviewed for next meeting.

1. Checklist for Re-Zoning of Lands [Form]

2. Site Plan Review Checklist [Form]

3. Special Use Request [Form]

4. Zoning Ordinance/Zoning Ordinance Book

I. Public Comments

J. Committee comments

K. Adjournment: 8:24 pm

Motion: Ward

2nd: Gould

Aye: all

Nay: none

Meetings are to be recorded.