

BENTON TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION

Meeting Minutes

June 6, 2019

Members Present: Jack Caughey, Tom Fasnaugh, Roy Pelfrey, Maureen Sorbet,  
Ben Kudwa, Barb Wickerham

Members Absent: Jason Haigh, Chris Tennes, Jeff Locke

Others who attended the Meeting:

R. Regis, N. Regis, P. Hicks, P. Dills, D. Shiflett, T. Caster, W. Caster, K. Bakke, E. Deibel, C. Mattson, S. Hoornstra, J. Raleigh, S. Raleigh, C. Meddaugh, L. Hoxie. (Others may have attended, but did not sign in).

Call to Order:

Chair person Jack Caughey called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m., and led the Board in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Meeting Minutes Approved:

A motion was made by Maureen Sorbet, seconded by Ben Kudwa, to approve the minutes of March 7, 2019. Motion carried 6 yeas; 0 nays.

Agenda Amendments:

It was approved to add Eric Deibel, Deputy Drain Commissioner and Chris Mattson, P.E., Project Manager, to the agenda to answer drainage questions regarding the proposed solar project.

New Business:

1. City of Potterville Master Plan Update: The City of Potterville sent a "Notice of intent, Master Plan Update". This intent was sent per Section 39 of the *Michigan Planning Enabling Act (Act 33 of 2008), as amended*. Once the Master Plan has been prepared and approved they will distribute a copy to Benton Township.
2. Drain Commission Question: Eric Deibel, Deputy Drainage Commissioner, and Chris Mattson, P.E. Project Manager had a question and answer forum. This gave the residents of Benton Township to voice their concerns regarding drainage issues from the solar project which has been proposed in Benton Township. After hearing concerns, Mr. Deibel and Mr. Mattson offered to make appointments with residents at their properties to review concerns. If residents approved, he would also invite Geronimo to these meetings.

Public Comment:

Questions were asked regarding repairs to the roads.

Adjournment: 8:30

Prepared by Barbara Wickerham, Secretary of the Planning Commission

