

CHIKAMING TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION

July 6, 2022, Meeting

Approved on August 3, 2022

The meeting was called to order with the pledge of allegiance at 6:31 pm by chairman Cam Mammina, with members Steve Zavodny, Jim Gormley, Doug Dow, Andy Brown, and Bill Marske present. Kim Livengood of the Township Zoning Department and township attorney Charles Hilmer were also present. Planning commission member John Chipman was absent.

The Agenda was reviewed, Doug Dow moved to approve the agenda with no changes, supported by Jim Gormley. Motion Carried.

Approval of Minutes of June 1, 2022 meeting, the minutes were reviewed, Doug Dow moved to approve the proposed minutes with no changes, supported by Jim Gormley. Motion Carried.

Public Comment: Joseph Reed commented on the initial site plan review for Harbert Community Park concerning the performance venue, Fran Wersells commented on the process of the site plan review for Union Green.

New Business: Initial site plan review: Applicant, Chikaming Township Park Board, Harbert Community Park, 13411 Red Arrow Highway, Harbert, Property Code # 11-07-0010-0050-01-1. Site plan review to allow outdoor recreation. John MacManus consultant for this project gave a presentation on the proposed improvements to Harbert Community Park, followed by a review of the drawings by landscape architect Tom Runkle of Abonmarche. Chikaming Township Park Board chair Jill Underhill also commented on the site plan and answered questions. The planning commission members discussed the site plan, they recommend that the park board work with township zoning administrator Kelly Largent to resolve the open items, and asked the park board for copy of the presentation and for a copy of the park boards Master Plan. No action was taken.

Presentation on Coastal Resilience Master Plan draft. Action; review presentation and document feedback. Barry Hicks of AICP gave a presentation on the Coastal Resilience Master Plan draft and answered questions.

Public Comment: Steve Leonard a lake front home owner asked about what his options will be when the level of the lake goes up again. Janet Schrader commented on the need to stop clear cutting land and hard revetments along the lake shore. Joseph Reed thanked the planning commission and asked if he could be involved in the proposed changes at Harbert Community Park. Amy Mader asked a question about the Coastal Resilience Master Plan presentation. Brian Kern asked about protecting the shore line at Cherry Beach and commented on permanent protection. Steve Almquist commented on the site plan for Harbert Community Park and on hard armoring.

Adjournment: With no further business before the Commission Doug Dow moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:13 pm, supported by Andy Brown. Motion carried.

Respectively Submitted

Bill Marske, Secretary, Chikaming Township Planning Commission