

# MINUTES OF THE AUGRES TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION

April 29th, 2024  
9:00 A.M.

**NOTES ON MINUTES:** Clerk Oxley, who normally takes the minutes, could not attend this meeting. The meeting was to be recorded, but no recording exists. There were three items on the agenda, for which there was much, often heated, discussion. All that can be detailed here are the motions on those items.

**IN ATTENDANCE:** Chairman Jesse Young, Robert Cotter, Ross Maser, Patricia Tremble and Donna Wilson. **ABSENT:** None

**PUBLIC IN ATTENDANCE:** Jim Herzog, Brent Adams, David Albosta, Ken Clausen and Kit Spring, Wes Crumby, Aurette Gates, Wayne Kinne, Jim McCort, Nancy Selle, Don and Marge Shellenberger, Armin and Carol Tata, and Joyouce Willis,

**CALL TO ORDER:** The meeting was called to order at 9:04am with the Pledge of Allegiance.

**APPROVAL of AGENDA:** Motion made by Patricia Tremble to approve the agenda as presented. Motion supported by Robert Cotter. Voice vote. All Ayes. No Nays. Agenda approved.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** Supervisor Jim Herzog spoke on farm animals on Green Drive. There board was asked why these meetings were always held at 9:00am and not in the evening when people who work would be able to attend.

**BOARD COMMENT:** None.

## **NEW BUSINESS:**

**a)** Kola Farms requested to expand their marijuana grow operation onto existing property to the west of their facility. This request was recommended for approval to the township board by the Planning Commission at a previous meeting. The township board questioned the approval (due to the expansion to a different parcel ID# and the 'No New Grow Amendment') and sent the issue back to the planning commission for further review. After discussion the Planning Commission again recommended approval. (Motion made by Tremble, supported by Maser to approve the expansion - All Ayes, No Nays.)

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**b)** Catherine (Kit) Spring, 2414 Lola Lane resident requested to build a 6 foot picket fence on Parcel (# 003-0-035-400-006-14) from the road down to the canal seawall. This request is not allowed by the Township Zoning Ordinance. After much discussion a motion was made by Cotter to table the issue for further research. Motion supported by Tremble. Voice Vote: All Ayes. No Nays. Topic tabled.

**c)** Troy Gerding, Rumsey Road, Parcel ID# 003-2-050-000-030-00 requesting to build a garage on his parcel which already has three structures in place. One of the structures is an old 'Ice house'. It was suggested that he build a breezeway between his house an his garage so as to connect two structures into one. Or seek a variance from the township.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** None,

**BOARD COMMENT:** None

**NEXT MEETING DATE:** The Planning Commission's 2nd Quarterly meeting to be held on Monday, June 3rd, 2024 at 9:00am.

**ADJOURNMENT:** TIME – 10:15am. Motion made by Tremble to adjourn the meeting. Supported by Wilson. Voice vote. All Ayes. No Nays. Meeting adjourned.

Minutes approved at the Planning Commission Meeting \_\_\_\_\_  
Jesse Young, Chairman \_\_\_\_\_  
Michael Oxley, Clerk \_\_\_\_\_