

City of West Branch Planning Commission

Meeting Minutes for February 9, 2021

Meeting called to order at 6:11pm by Chairman Lucynski

Roll Call – Present – Cori Lucynski, Bob David, Mike Jackson, Tiffany Schmieder-Kups , Yvonne DeRoso, Rusty Showalter and Kara Fachting

West Branch City Manager, John Dantzer, was also present

Pledge of Allegiance

Public Hearings – None

Additions to Agenda – None

Public Comment – None

Approval of Minutes – None

Site Plans – Zoning and Use Permit request from Deshano Construction. Heather Arnold was present via phone for this meeting. Rusty Showalter requested to abstain due to the fact he works for Deshanos sister company. Yvonne DeRoso requested to abstain due to the fact she will receive a monetary gain from this project.

A motion was made by Bob David, second by Mike Jackson to excuse Rusty and Yvonne due to personal conflicts with the application. Ayes – All

A motion was made by Bob David, second by Mike Jackson to approve the site plan with dumpster and berm issues to be handled by John Dantzer administratively. Ayes – All (Rusty and Yvonne Abstained)

The PUD application was heard. Yvonne DeRoso requested to abstain due to the fact she would be getting a monetary gain from this project.

A motion was made by Kara Fachting, second by Rusty Showalter to excuse Yvonne due to personal conflicts with the application. Ayes – All

The new name for this development is Ogemaw Vista Estates. There was a brief discussion among the members regarding the site plan.

A motion was made by Kara Fachting, second by Mike Jackson to approve the site plan as submitted. Ayes – All (Yvonne abstained)

Sign Permits – None

Unfinished Business – None

New Business – A motion was made by Mike Jackson, second by Rusty Showalter to move the Master Plan discussion to the March 9, 2021 Planning Meeting for more time to review. Ayes - All

Communications –

- A. MAPS Training – John will schedule the 1st class for March or April and it will be a private local class.

Chairman Report – McLaren is growing by 5x its original size. Site plan should be coming soon.

Member Reports –

Kara, Tiffany, Rusty and John – None

Bob – Water main break in town today was amazingly taken care by DPW guys

Mike – Moving dirt at new Meijer site

Yvonne – Empty buildings downtown may soon be filling.

Public Comment - None

Meeting was adjourned at 6:52pm per Chairman Lucynski

Meeting minutes taken and typed by Kara Faching