

ELY TOWNSHIP
Planning Commission
April 11, 2022 – 6:30pm
Meeting Taped and In-Person

CALL TO ORDER

Vice Chair Ruppel called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm.

ROLL CALL

Randy Ruppel, Steven Bertucci Jr. and Aaron Carr – Present. Dustin Kennedy - Absent. Also, present - Dawn Schuhknecht, Recording Secretary and Fred VanLuven, Zoning Administrator.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was in order.

APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

Motion was made by Carr to approve the minutes from the March 14, 2022 meeting. Seconded by Bertucci. Aye - 3, Nays - 0, Absent - 1. Motion passed.

COMMUNICATIONS/CORRESPONDENCE

None.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Carr made a motion to approve, with support from Bertucci. Ayes - 3, Nays - 0, Absent - 1. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

OLD BUSINESS

A. Review of the Zoning Ordinance- Carr and VanLuven stated Gischia proofread it and to go off his copy. Motion made by Carr to approve Zoning Ordinance and put on website. Seconded by Bertucci. Ayes - 3, Nays - 0, Absent - 1.

B. Review of the Master Plan – Discussion was made on the fact that Census information has not been made available yet, recording secretary stated they have come in and 58 people were lost putting Ely population at 1900. The board said they will move forward using the digital copy of previous Master Plan to submit to state.

Review of Recreation Plan for Grant considerations - Recreation Plan was submitted pass the deadline for grants in 2022 so board will focus on 2023 and watch for grant opportunities. They would like the Ely Board to purchase 2 picnic tables this year for the remaining money in 2021-22 budget.

C. Update on US-41 corridor – Ruppel was unable to attend.

NEW BUSINESS

None

ZONING ADMINISTRATORS REPORT

VanLuven's report stated he received a complaint about Harsila's junk yard on US 41. A person called to complain about the junk and junk cars on the north side of US 41. VanLuven went to the junk yard and talked to Clem Merrills and they plan to have the northside cleaned up by the end of the month.

VanLuven reported that he spoke to the renter of the property by Jerzee's with the pile of wood. They want to cut up the wood and sell the bundles to campers. They will clean the lot and keep it orderly. A few neighbors have stopped to tell them they were not allowed to be there. They can have a commercial venture in a Town Development District.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned by Ruppel at 7:05 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Dawn Schuhknecht, Recording Secretary