

**VILLAGE OF CALEDONIA
PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES**

Thursday, August 24th, 2023 @ 7p.m.
Caledonia Village Hall
250 S. Maple St. SE
Caledonia, MI 49316

Minutes

Planning Commission Attendees: Amanda Crozier, Gayle Ott, Gerrienne Schuler, Bill Robertson, Monique Brennan, Kathryn Zoller, Village Attorney, Nathan Mehmed, Village Planner

Additional Attendees: Jennifer Lindsey, President; Jeff Thornton, Village Clerk/Manager

Missing: Kimberly Peters

ALL TO ORDER 7:04 pm

1. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

2. ROLL CALL – All accounted for except absent Kimberly Peters

3. PUBLIC COMMENTS (BRIEF – UNDER 2 MINUTES, AGENDA ITEMS ONLY) - none

4. INQUIRY OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST - none

5. CONSIDERATION OF THE MEETING AGENDA

- With Amendment to add discussion of Planning Commission intern/student member
- Motion to Approve by Ott
- Seconded by Schuler
- Motion Carried

6. APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS MINUTES

- It was shared that Kim did a great job with the July minutes to include all of the details discussed on the solar ordinance. These were very helpful in reviewing the drafted ordinance.
- Motion to Approve by Schuler
- Seconded by Ott
- Motion Carried

7. PLANNER COMMENTS / REPORTS - none

8. NEW BUSINESS – none

9. OLD BUSINESS

a. Consideration of Solar Ordinance

i. Minor typos to revise:

1. Page 1 (b): tis changed to this
2. Page 3 (f)(3): eve changed to eave
3. Page 4 (g)(1): Aa changed to A

ii. Other notes:

1. Page 4 (g)(2): removed "as long as such system is not visible from the street or road."

AC removed during approval in the Sept. 2023 meeting

2. Page 5 (h)(3): This is standard language in solar ordinances. This means that the solar generated is limited to your personal use ~~and not intended for net metering.~~
3. Page 5 (h)(6): removed this section as it is not needed due to the small lot sizes in The Village and the limitations mentioned in (h)(5).
 - iii. Motion to Approve with Attorney changes and advertise for public hearing once the revisions are made by Schuler.
Seconded by Crozier
Motion Carried

10. OTHER MATTERS

- a. Updates from Jon Moxey
 - i. Legacies Village
 1. \$50K bond for lack of completion were required and we are holding final occupancy permit until completed.
 2. They are getting close to closing the bond.
 3. All permits must be completed first.
 4. Dead trees need to be replaced if they do not show that they are still viable.
 5. The standing water issues have been resolved.
 - ii. Village Station
 1. \$30K bond for lack of completion were required and we are holding final occupancy permit until completed.
 2. They are getting close to closing the bond.
- b. Planning Commission intern/Student member
 - i. We are looking to add an intern/student member to provide experience for a Caledonia student.
 - ii. Monique will work with the high school for a job shadow program.
 - iii. The student could participate in the conversation but not be a voting member.
 - iv. We should check with district's general council for any concerns of having a student participate in the Planning Commission.

11. PUBLIC COMMENT

- a. Jennifer Lindsey shared information about a Citizen Planner conference in Traverse City in October. Jeff will share a link with the information to the Planning Commission members.

12. COMMISSIONER'S COMMENTS – none

13. ADJOURNMENT at 7:40pm

Respectfully Submitted,

Amanda Crozier

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Planning Commission, Chairperson