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MARATHON TOWNSHIP

PLANNING COMMISSION QUARTERLY MEETING Minutes

February 21, 2024

Tom Greyerbiehl, Chair
Sandi Glesenkamp, Secretary
Smokey Meinecke
Fred Moorhouse

Sheila Dennis
Rosalee Perdue
Terry Miner

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Chairman, Tom Greyerbiehl. Roll call was taken showing Miner and Dennis absent. Several guests were in the audience. (see guest list)

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited

A motion was made by Perdue with support by Glesenkamp to approve the agenda. All votes aye, motion carried.

A motion was made by Moorhouse with support by Meinecke to approve the minutes of January 8, 2024. All votes aye, motion carried. All votes aye, motion carried.

Public Comment: Several property owners living around Hemingway Lake spoke concerning issues to be considered such as vetting process, taxing as a rental, policing 24/7, selling of a short-term rental, keeping the quiet community the way it is now, attorney writing the proposed amendment had not attended meetings in the past, fees collected to benefit lake, number of rentals, and a number of other concerns.

New Business: None.

Old Business: Short Term Rentals. Chairman, Greyerbiehl began by addressing 20 concerns submitted by Lenny & Andrea Sly and also many concerns spoken about in public comment. A draft Short-term rental ordinance amendment making STR's a special use has been presented by Attorney Gildner. The question was raised about how many STR's would be permitted in each district and a letter was read from the attorney's office stating that he was not in favor of limiting the number of STR's as limiting will encourage litigation and those results have not been favorable for the Townships. The question was asked to the audience what would be an agreeable number of STR's to be allowed. There were no suggestions.

After much discussion of the draft proposed amendment regarding STR's it was decided to submit suggestions to the attorney for advice and changes if deemed necessary.

Next meeting scheduled will be March 11, 2024 at 6:00 p.m.

A motion was made by Meinecke with support by Perdue to adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 7:40 p.m.

Submitted by _____ Approved _____

Sandi Glesenkamp

Tom Greyerbiehl