

Colfax Township and Village of Thompsonville
Community Joint Planning Commission
14714 Lincoln Avenue, Thompsonville, MI 49683

Minutes – May 6, 2021 Regular Meeting

Chairperson Debra Franke opened the meeting at 7:00 P.M. followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.
Present at roll call: Commissioners Debra Franke, Shelley Greene, Devonia Dyer and Greg Kraft
Guest: Irene Dunham Thayer

Agenda Additions/Corrections: Motion/second by Shelley/Devonia to accept the agenda as presented; motion carried.

Public Comment: None.

Thompsonville Revitalization Project: Debra gave her understanding of the project saying the Village signed a Resolution of Support in a special meeting so the group could meet the deadline for a Grand Traverse Rotary matching grant. When the old Thompsonville depot came up for sale a while ago, the \$170,000 price was a hurdle but the idea led to formation of the group.

Approval of Minutes: Motion/second by Debra/Devonia to approve the April minutes; motion carried.

Unfinished Business and Reports

A. Zoning Ordinance Amendment: Changes to remove Weldon Township from the text of the ordinance are straight forward, but direction is needed on Article 1 and Articles 2.4 and 2.5. Motion/second by Debra/Devonia that Shelley contact Ward Kuhn about these Articles and schedule a public hearing at the June JPC meeting if he agrees to revise it; motion carried.

B. Capital Improvement Plan: The CIP package was distributed to officials. Project worksheets are due by August 5 to the JPC.

C. Fee Schedule: The changes were approved by the Village Council and Colfax Township Board.

D. Budget 2021-2022FY: This was approved by the Council and Board.

E. Zoning Administrator Report: A report of the last month's activities was presented.

F. Village and Township Reports: Shelley reported on routine township business. Debra reported on Gordy Frasier will be the consulting firm for the water project; ambulance was busy as was the fire department with many mutual aid calls; need a new Christmas tree due to disease; want to purchase more speed signs; change Sharp Park sign for increase in fee; train at ballpark was repaired; Eclipse to replace COLI/186 for internet; and she said the Revitalization needs two JPC reps.

G. Budget Review/Compensation Authorization: Motion/second by Shelley/Devonia to pay bills as presented; all ayes, motion carried. Discussed a report format for expenses and revenue.

New Business

A. Pending Zoning Ordinance Amendments: These can now be adopted by the Village and Township and then publish. They are text changes for clarification and correction, a rewritten Article for signs and existing mobile homes may be replaced if they meet standards.

B. Zoning Ordinance Review: Discussed the need to engage the public in a meaningful, productive process. Think about ideas such as focusing on certain parts of the ordinance or perhaps topics.

C. Master Plan goals: They may be helpful when working on the CIP or tie in with the TRProject.

D. P&Z News: Check on prices.

Correspondence: None.

Public Comment: None.

Adjournment: Motion/second by Shelley/Debra to adjourn at 8:45 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Shelley Greene, Secretary

Minutes are proposed until approved at the next meeting