

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

Minutes – March 3, 2022 Regular Meeting

Meeting was opened at 7:11 P.M. with the pledge of allegiance

Roll call: Greg Kraft, Eric Pettit, Shelley Greene, Ken Pasanski. Absent: Brent Johnson.

Agenda: Motion/second by Shelley/Eric to add October regular meeting minutes; motion carried.

Public comment: None.

Approval of Minutes: Motion/second by Ken/Eric to approve the October regular and February special meeting minutes; motion carried.

Unfinished Business

Fitzner Property: Motion/second by Greg/Eric for Shelley to write a letter to attorney David Bieganowski acknowledging the property may continue with, and is limited to, the non-conforming use of selling vehicle parts (Class C) and transporting vehicles (Class E) as licensed by the state of Michigan and approved by the Village President and Zoning Administrator in 2005. Discussion acknowledged that the property is in a district zoned for residential use only and that any prior approved permits have not been located. Discussion continued that there has been no evidence presented, either by the owner or local residents, indicating the property has operated for the purpose of collecting and/or selling items, other than for Classes C and E as a licensed dealer by the state, such as discarded materials and waste, mattresses, refrigerators and the like.

CIP: The capital improvement plan worksheets have not been received and will need to be resubmitted to the municipalities for completion. The USDA was looking for this late last year in connection with the Village's loan for the water system.

Mixed Use District: This would affect Lincoln and Michigan Avenues in the Village. Standards need to be developed.

Zoning Administrator: An oral report was made.

Village/Township: No reports were available.

Budget Review and Bills: Compensation authorization and expense for post box renewal were presented. Motion/second by Shelley/Eric to approve as presented; roll call vote all ayes; motion carried.

New Business

2022-2023 Fiscal Year:

- Motion/second by Shelley/Eric to nominate and appoint Greg as chair; motion carried. Motion/second by Greg/Shelley to nominate and appoint Eric as vice chair; motion carried.
- Motion/second by Greg/Eric to nominate and appoint Shelley as secretary; motion carried. Terms take effect April 1.
- Motion/second by Shelley/Greg for the JPC to meet the first Thursday of the month except for no meeting in July, Kuhn Rogers PLC continues as legal counsel and the Record Patriot will serve as the newspaper of record; motion carried.
- Motion/second by Greg/Eric that Shelley will serve as recording secretary for the March 18 public hearing and not vote since Irene Dunham Thayer will be Colfax's voting member on the special land use site plans; motion carried.
- Motion/second by Shelley/Greg to appoint Eric as the JPC representative on the zoning board of appeals; motion carried.

Budget: A proposed 2022-2023 budget was reviewed. Motion/second by Eric/Greg to submit the budget to the legislative bodies for approval; motion carried.

JPC By-laws: Copies were handed out for review to prepare for discussion at the next meeting.

Correspondence: None.

Public Comment: None.

Adjourn: Motion/second by Greg/Eric to adjourn at 8:47 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Shelley Greene  
Secretary

*Minutes are proposed until approved at the next meeting*