

ONEIDA CHARTER TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING
HELD JANUARY 3, 2024
7:00 P.M.

MEMBERS PRESENT: CHAIRMAN KILGORE, MEMBERS HAFNER, SCHROEDER, & STEVENS

MEMBERS EXCUSED: MEMBERS GREEN, SCHERER, & DEMBOWSKI

OTHERS PRESENT: ZONING ADMINISTRATOR GOSCHKA, CLERK JACKIE KILGORE, PLANNING COMMISSION SECRETARY PEÑA-KLANECKY AND OTHERS LISTED ON THE SIGN-IN SHEET.

1. Meeting called to order at 7:00 p.m.
2. Pledge of Allegiance.
3. Additions to Agenda: Chairman Kilgore motioned to add oath of office as agenda item #11.
4. Draft Minutes of December 5, 2023: Member Schroeder motioned to approve the minutes as written, supported by Member Hafner. Motion carried.
5. Public Comment: None
6. Sign Ordinance Review – Member Hafner motioned to table the Sign Ordinance Review to the February 6, 2024, meeting, supported by Chairman Kilgore. Motion carried.
7. Shipping/Freight container Ordinance – Set Public Hearing Date: Chairman Kilgore moved to set the public hearing date for our next meeting, scheduled February 6, 2024, supported by Member Schroeder. The motion carried by a vote of 3 ayes and 1 nay. Member Hafner asked why the office uses the City Pulse instead of the County Journal for the public hearing notice. Zoning Administrator Goschka will discuss with the office staff on possibly changing to another publication. City Pulse was originally chosen early in 2023 for a few reasons: The County Journal did not service Grand Ledge, City Pulse is free to residents, we wanted to be consistent with the publication that the City of Grand Ledge used, City Pulse would put a stand at the township hall. It was also mentioned that the County Journal is a free paper.
8. 2023 Final Annual Report: The Planning Commission reviewed the draft and found that a change needed to be made for the term expiration of Member Eric Hafner from November 2026 to December 2026. Chairman Kilgore moved to correct the date from November to December 2026, supported by Member Hafner. Motion passed.
9. Zoning Ordinance Section 17.05, D. Parking Restrictions Amendment Discussion: Chairman Kilgore moved to hold a public hearing on February 6, 2024, to amend the Zoning Ordinance Section 17.05, supported by Member Stevens. Motion passed. Mr. & Ms. Williams updated the Planning Commission on Burt Avenue and the most recent occurrences.
10. Public Comment: Mr. & Ms. Williams thanked the Planning Commission for their assistance in resolving the parking issues on Burt Avenue.
11. Oath of Office: (This item was moved to earlier in the meeting so that Clerk Kilgore would not need to stay for the entire meeting.) Member Eric Hafner was sworn in for another 3-year term, by Clerk Kilgore to expire December 2026.

12. Any Other Business: Solar & Wind Project – Discussed the State of Michigan and the control they will have over the larger property projects in the Township. Internet – My WIFI and the effect it will have on Oneida Township. It was mentioned that Oneida Township will not be one that they will focus on.
13. Adjourn Meeting: Meeting was adjourned at 7:36 p.m.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Melissa Goschka, Zoning Administrator and Jackie Peña-Klanecky, Planning Commission Secretary.

APPROVED:



JUSTIN KILGORE, CHAIRMAN