

Cato Township Planning Commission Meeting

July 19, 2023 6:00PM

Meeting Called to order at 6PM by Chairperson Phil Morrow

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call- All present

Quanah Striker

Phil Morrow

Jake Cumings

David Kelsey

David Behrenwald (few minutes late)

Danielle from McKenna Land Planning

9 Citizens/Public members

Approved Agenda

Swore in Jake Cumings to the Planning Commission by Phil Morrow

Public Comments:

Mark Bilello- Concerns over splitting property

John Briggs- Concerns over current ordinance not permitting splitting 1 acre for his daughter. Present farmland ordinance is contradictory to make a 5acre minimum.

David Rassmussen – Not allowed to put a trailer/mobile home on his property for his sister-in-law

Comments closed 6:06

Motion by Quanah to approve last meetings minutes. David B 2nd. Carried

Motion by Phil M. to approve July 12 meeting, Dave B. 2nd- carried

Zoning Administrator report for May only has he did not bring June, 2023

1. Brad Wernette – Pole Barn – Elm & North County Line
2. Bradford Lund – Swimming Pool – 10182 Tamarack Rd.
3. Max Kennedy – Pole Barn – 11295 M-46 (Howard City-Edmore)
4. Susan Draper – 14x11 Home addition – 10985 N Lakeview Rd

5. Joseph & Susan Cousineau – Home Addition – 6551 W Schmeid Rd

Additional discussion in regards to D Rasmussen's concerns. He had no permit was just told he couldn't. Advised to obtain a permit.

Board Liaison Report by D. Behrenwald:

Board approved pay increases for Planning Commission members.

Also advised the Security System is installed in the Community Center

Old Business

Heard the Master Plan update from Danielle from McKenna Land Planning. Discussion and explanation of information presented. Future land use is a draft and map

Beginning 1812 – 1841

Draft to be done by end of August or 1st week of September 2023

Secretary opening on the Planning Commission:

Phil M made motion to appoint Genny Towne for taking and recording minutes as the secretary position . 2nd by D Behrenwald, Carried

A Complaint Form was presented by Dave Kelsey for Ordinance Violations. Board approved the form.

New Business

Land Split discussion started at 6:50PM. Motion by D Behrenwald, 2nd by J. Main to leave the ordinance as is.

Public Comment – from 8:13-8:18

Jamie Snyder – wants Wind Ordinance back on the agenda to revert it back to the ordinance originally presented to the board. Supported by G. Towne

Jeremy Kwekel- Wind Ordinance support for going back to originally presented

Genny Towne- also entered into discussion of no mobile on properties.

Motion to Adjourn by Q. Striker, 2nd P. Morrow – Carried

Adjourned

Genny Towne

Cato Township Planning Commission Secretary