

ATTICA TOWNSHIP
MINUTES OF THE
PLANNING COMMISSION
AUGUST 24, 2023

At a regular meeting of the Attica Township Planning Commission held on the 24TH day of August, 2023 at the Attica Township Hall, 4350 Peppermill Road, Attica, MI 48412.

The meeting was called to order by Planning Commission Chairman Gierman at 6:59 p.m. The following members were PRESENT: Geri Berry, Cara Capizzo, Kent Gierman, Nancy Herpolsheimer, Mark Ochadleus, Brian Rowley and Mary Tullio. ABSENT: None. ALSO, PRESENT: Attorney Gildner, Planner Habben and the public per the attached sheet.

ACCEPT AGENDA:

MOTION by Berry, seconded by Herpolsheimer, to accept the agenda as presented. A vote was taken. Ayes: All. Nays: None. Absent: None.

REVIEW MINUTES:

The Board having reviewed the minutes of the July 27, 2023 regular Planning Commission meeting minutes and there being one addition requested by Mary Tullio:

MOTION by Tullio, seconded by Capizzo to approve the July 27, 2023 regular Planning Commission meeting minutes as amended. A vote was taken. Ayes: All. Nays: None. Absent: None. **MOTION CARRIED.**

PUBLIC HEARING: Public Hearing to consider a special land use and site plan request by Tele-Site Wireless, Inc. on behalf of Verizon Wireless for a proposed telecommunication tower to be located at 2145 S. Lake Pleasant Road also known as (Parcel #44-003-027-020-10). Chairman Gierman opened the Public Hearing at 7:11 p.m.

Planner Habben went over her site plan review from August 9th, 2023 in detail on items still missing from the site plan.

Robert Labelle, lawyer for Verizon Wireless explained the safety features of the wireless tower and the importance of adding a tower at that location.

After questions from the Planning Commission, and requests for additional input from the public without hearing any, Chairman Gierman closed the Public Hearing at 7:44 p.m.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Tele-Site Wireless, Inc. Special Land Use motion:

There was discussion among the Planning Commission members, Robert LaBelle, Attorney for applicant, Planner Habben, and Attorney Gildner.

MOTION by Herpolsheimer, seconded by Ochadleus to recommend the Township Board approve the requested special land use and site plan for a proposed telecommunication tower to be located at 2145 S. Lake Pleasant Road (parcel # 44-003-027-020-10) contingent on meeting the missing requirements in the August 9th, 2023 review, with the exception of extra landscaping and a fire lane, because the applicant meets the standards 7.52, 6.21 and 6.12.C. A roll call vote was taken. Herpolsheimer: Aye; Rowley: Aye; Berry: Aye; Ochadleus: Aye; Capizzo: Aye; Tullio: Aye and Gierman: Aye. Ayes: All. Nays: None. Absent: None. **MOTION CARRIED.**

PUBLIC TIME: None.

COMMUNICATIONS AND ZONING ADMINISTRATION REPORT: Zoning Administrators Lemons and Schultz will be stepping down as of November 1, 2023. Gerald Fackler has been hired as the new zoning administrator.

PLANNER'S REPORT: In the next several months the Planning Commission will be updating the Zoning Ordinance.

ATTORNEY REPORT: None.

There being no further business before the Planning Commission, **MOTION** by Herpolsheimer seconded by Berry to adjourn the meeting at 8:03 p.m. A vote was taken. Ayes: All. Nays: None. Absent: None. Ayes: All. Nays: None. Absent: None. **MOTION CARRIED.**

Cara Capizzo, Secretary of the
Planning Commission

Maureen Lemons, Recording
Secretary, Planning Commission