

**Caledonia Township  
Planning Commission  
Regular Meeting Minutes  
April 3, 2023**

The regular meeting of the Caledonia Township Planning Commission at the Township Hall was called to order at 7:00 PM by Jim Klarich.

**Pledge of Allegiance**

**Roll Call:**

Sobeck- present, Klarich – present, LaLonde – present, LeClair – present, Morrell - present

Also Present: Nick Duby – Zoning Administrator

Approximately 3 Caledonia residents

**Approval of Agenda:**

Motion to approve with addition of new board elections of officers by LeClair, second by Sobeck, carried

**Approval of previous Minutes:**

Motion by LaClair to approve minutes from March 6, 2023, Second by Sobeck, carried

**Public Comments:**

- Ken Gibson continued discussion from previous meeting of docks needing 12 foot setback from property line in the water
- discussion to be continued of allowing trailers in R-1

**Committee Reports:**

Zoning Board of Appeals – No current report but anticipate a variance request in next month meeting

**Board of Trustees:**

- The board approved the budget
- update of SPARKS Grant for North End Park
- Made a new citizens complaint form
- updated FOIA policy

- discussed lawn mowing for the year, running advertisement
- made a motion to purchase ball diamonds in Spruce working with Gillard Family
- approved fire contract with Hubbard Lake

**Old Business:**

1. NEMCOG Updated Ordinance Review
2. LeClair reviewed a list of notes he had compiled regarding proposed changes which the board reviewed point by point. LeClair will send discussed document to Denise Cline for review to make additions to the ordinance draft. Highlighted points discussed included:
3. 3.8A Dock and Hoist set back discussion to be revise to 12 feet currently at 10 feet
4. Double Corner Lot discussion where two sides are equal in distance from streets to allow property owner to decided which street becomes their address
5. 3.5 of draft ordinance accessory structures on corner side yards exhibit conflicts with wording in draft ordinance. This needs to be clarified.
6. 3.7 Shipping containers, discussion of minimum/maximum width
7. 4.3b Building heights (add silo's and conveyors) do we give the fire department any discretion on how high we allow buildings to be built
8. Mixed Use buildings in our commercial district discussion

**Motion** by Morrell to send LeClair's document of compiled discussion points to Denise Cline, second Sobeck, carried

**New Business:** - Election of new officers to PC Board:

**Motion** by Sobeck that Dan LeClair elected Chairperson; Ken LaLonde elected Vice Chair; Susie Morrell elected Secretary; second Morrell, carried

**Motion to Adjourn:** at 7:55 pm by Sobeck, second LaLonde, Motion carried.

**Tri Township Meeting:** April 20, 2023 at 7:00pm at Alcona Township Hall; 5576 N US 23 Black River

**Next Caledonia Planning Commission meeting:** May 1, 2023 at 7:00 PM at the Caledonia Township Hall, Spruce, MI

Respectfully submitted by Susie Morrell