County of Antrim - Planning Commission

Bryan Graham | Duane Meyer | Jim Gurr

Jason Helwig | Ron Tschudy

Minutes – September 1, 2026

Members Present: Bryan Graham, Jim Gurr, Jason Helwig, Ron Tschudy
Members Absent: Duane Meyer
Staff and Others: Janet Koch

1. Meeting called to order at 4:34 p.m. by Jim Gurr

2. Pledge of Allegiance

3. Approval of Agenda

Mr. Graham requested the addition of an agenda item 8.c) Introduction of Revisions to Section 7.1 of the Planning Commission Bylaws.

Motion by Bryan Graham, seconded by Jim Gurr, to approve the September 1, 2026 agenda as amended.

Motion approved unanimously.

4. Declaration of Conflict of Interest

None.

5. Public Comment

None.

6. Approval of Minutes

Motion by Bryan Graham, seconded by Jason Helwig, to approve the minutes from July 7, 2026 as presented.

Motion approved unanimously.

7. Old Business

None.

8. New Business

a. Kearney Township Proposed Zoning Ordinance Amendment

Motion by Jim Gurr, seconded by Bryan Graham, that the Antrim County Planning Commission finds no inconsistencies between the Antrim County Master Plan and the proposed Kearney Township 2026 Zoning Ordinance to rezone certain parcels in Centennial Hills and recommends that the Kearney Township Board approve the amendment.

Motion approved unanimously.

b. Milton Township Proposed Zoning Moratorium Amendment #2026-03

Mr. Graham noted that, to be lawful, a moratorium must be for a reasonable length of time, which the proposed amendment was. If the Milton Township Planning Commission intended to extend the moratorium, he recommended that their attorney be involved.

Motion by Jason Helwig, seconded by Ron Tschudy, that the Antrim County Planning Commission finds no inconsistencies between the Antrim County Master Plan and the proposed Milton Township Zoning Moratorium Amendment #2026-03 and recommends that the Milton Township Board approve the amendment.

Motion approved unanimously.

c. Introduction of Revisions to Section 7.1 of the Planning Commission Bylaws.

Mr. Graham provided copies of a proposed amendment to Section 7.1 Agenda for Regular Meetings.

Motion by Bryan Graham, seconded by Jason Helwig, to introduce revisions to Section 7.1 of the Bylaws as an agenda item at the meeting.

Motion approved unanimously.

9. Various Matters

- Mr. Gurr said he'd received a twenty-year membership certificate from the Michigan Association of Planning.
- Mr. Helwig noted that both a Taco Bell and a Bigby's Coffee would open soon in Mancelona.
- Mr. Tschudy said he would not be seeking reappointment to the Planning Commission when his term expired at the end of the year. He added that he had been disappointed that the County's Capital Improvement Plan did not include possibilities for alternative energy sources.

10. Public/Member Comment

None.

Meeting adjourned at 4:50 p.m.