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**PLANNING COMMISSION MINUTES**  
**October 4, 2023**

The Leoni Township Planning Commission held a meeting Wednesday, October 4, 2023 @ 6:00 p.m. 913 Fifth Street, Leoni Township Meeting Hall, Michigan Center, Michigan.

Meeting opened to call of the Chair: 6:00 pm

Members Present: Connie Gibson, Judy Southworth, Ron Kinch, Vern Beckwith, William Miles, Bob Pickett and Cody Lester

Members absent:

Persons in attendance: 12 in person

Pledge of Allegiance

*Motion by W. Miles, supported by C. Lester to approve the agenda as written.*  
***Motion adopted by voice vote***

*Motion by J. Southworth, supported by C. Gibson to approve the July 19 minutes as written*  
***Motion adopted by voice vote***

**Public Comment:**                      **Open at        6:04 pm.**  
   **Closed at     6:10 pm.**

**DISCUSSION:**

Nora Sharpe-McGee who chairs the Ordinance Committee spoke about the Site Plan ordinance and requested to move it from number 4 on the agenda to number 1. Mrs. Sharpe-McGee explained that the ordinance committee has been working on this for the last year and just needs the committee to decide if they agree with it or any changes need to be made so it can move on to the Board of Trustees.

*Motion by V. Beckwith, supported by C. Gibson to move #4 on the agenda, Site Plan Review Ordinance to number #1 on the agenda.*

7 Ayes: R. Kinch, W. Miles, C. Gibson, C. Lester, J. Southworth, B. Pickett and V. Beckwith  
0 Nays:

***Motion Carried***

*Motion by R. Kinch, supported by W. Miles to approve the Site Plan as presented to move forward to the Board of Trustees for review.*

7 Ayes: R. Kinch, W. Miles, C. Gibson, C. Lester, J. Southworth, B. Pickett and V. Beckwith  
0 Nays:

***Motion Carried***

**PUBLIC HEARING:**

- 2. 000-09-29-453-002-00**  
**195 Andrew Park Dr.**  
**Consumers Energy Site Plan Review**

**DISCUSSION:**

No one was present to represent Consumers Energy. R. Kinch spoke and stated that the purpose for the Site Plan was that Consumers wanted to put a fence around the property for this site.

*Motion by R. Kinch, supported by C. Lester to approve the Site Plan Review for property 000-09-29-453-002-00 at 195 Andrews Park Dr. as presented.*

*7 Ayes: C. Gibson, W. Miles, C. Lester, J. Southworth, C. Lester, R. Kinch and B. Pickett*  
*0 Nays*

***Motion Carried***

- 3. 000-14-07-351-001-01**  
**E. South St.**  
**South Central Credit Union Site Plan Review**

**DISCUSSION:**

Woody Isaacs and Nichole Jordan from the architectural firm were present to speak and so was Eric Samon the president of the Credit Union.

*Motion by W. Miles, supported by C. Gibson to approve the Site Plan Review for property 000-14-07-351-001-01 on E. South St. as presented.*

*5 Ayes: W. Miles, C. Gibson, J. Southworth, B. Pickett and V. Beckwith*

*0 Nays:*

*2 Recuse: R. Kinch and C. Lester*

***Motion Carried***

- 4. 000-09-29-251-001-02 & 000-09-29-251-001-03**  
**2700 Hawkins Rd.**  
**Lester Brothers Site Plan Review**

**DISCUSSION:**

Cody Lester spoke on behalf of Lester Brothers and stated that the purpose of the Site Plan Review was to increase the grade on the site for a future composting facility. There will be no extraction on the property or mining. Lester Brothers is already licensed with EGLE to run this composting facility.

*Motion by R. Kinch, supported by J. Southworth to approve the Site Plan Review for properties 000-09-29-251-001-02 and 000-09-29-251-001-03 at 2700 Hawkins Rd. as presented.*

*6 Ayes: R. Kinch, W. Miles, C. Gibson, J. Southworth, B. Pickett and V. Beckwith*

*0 Nays:*

*1 Recuse: C. Lester*

***Motion Carried***

**RESERVE:**

**1. Master Plan Finalization**

*Motion by W. Miles, supported by R. Kinch to adjourn the meeting at 6:37 PM.*

***Motion adopted by voice vote***

**Meeting Adjourned 6:37 pm.**

**Next meeting: October 18, 2023**