

**LINCOLN CHARTER TOWNSHIP  
PLANNING COMMISSION**

Regular Meeting  
April 03, 2023

Chairman Mike Freehling called the regular meeting of the Planning Commission to order at 6:00 p.m. on Monday, April 03, 2023 in the meeting room of the Municipal Building, 2055 West John Beers Road, Stevensville, Michigan 49127.

**CALL TO ORDER**

**ROLL CALL**

Present: Tony Korican, Marc Florian, Charlie Olszewski, Glenn Youngstedt, Chris Miller, Andy Barbott and Mike Freehling.  
Absent: None.  
Also present: Jim Pheifer, Building Official and Jacqueline Ross, Recorder.

**ADDITIONS TO AND APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA** – None.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**Youngstedt**, seconded by **Olszewski** motioned to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of March 06, 2023 as e-mailed. No discussion. All Ayes. Motion carried.

**DEPARTMENT OF BUILDING SAETY**

The Department of Building Safety, year to date, has issued 0 permits for single family dwellings, last year there were 15. For the month of March 2023 there were 0 permits issued for single family dwellings. For the month of March 2022 there were 11 permits issued for single family dwellings.

This year, house construction values alone totaled \$0. At this time last year, they were at \$6,723,608.

In 2023, total construction (building, electrical, mechanical, plumbing) permits for Commercial, Industrial, Agricultural and Residential districts estimated total values are at \$5,115,553. In 2022, total construction values were at \$9,298,921.

In the month of March, there were 382 inspections made on (building, electrical, mechanical, plumbing, and rentals).

**NEW BUSINESS** –

**Freehling** stated that the **Board of Trustees** requested that committees be formed for the following items: Hotels in Lincoln Charter Township that have begun to deteriorate and/or that have incurred repeated offenses concerning patron conduct and to offer a recommendation on the value of amending the ordinance to allow chickens in residentially zoned districts.

A. Hotel Sub-committee: **Chris Miller** (chair), **Glenn Youngstedt** and **Michael Freehling**.

B. Chickens in Residentially Zoned Districts Sub-committee: **Andy Barbott** (chair), **Tony Korican**, and **Suzanne Pscholka** (resident).

**Florian** offered to follow-up with the residents that had contacted him regarding being against changing the ordinance to allow chickens to see if another resident would like to join the committee to offer another view point.

### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

A. Follow-up to Air BnB Houseboats.

**Freehling** mentioned that **Attorney Dienes** was still waiting to hear from **EGLE** and had not yet received an answer. If **Dienes** did not receive an answer by the end of the Month **Freehling** was looking to move forward with a consensus from the Planning Commission members and vote on changes to the ordinance.

B. Research Sub-Committee Report.

A short discussion followed.

C. Rental Sub-committee report.

**Freehling** noted that this committee had been released.

**Florian** mentioned the communications that had been already released to the public regarding the Good Neighbor Brochure for short-term rentals including the updated Rental renewal letters, posting the brochure to the website and the Spring Township Newsletter.

### **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

None.

### **CORRESPONDENCE**

Resident letter regarding chickens in residential zoned districts.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 6:16 p.m.

The next regularly scheduled planning commission meeting will be held on May 8, 2023 at 6:00 p.m.