

JIM KIPPOLA, Chairman  
JEFFREY OGEA, Commissioner

DAN ETELAMAKI, Vice Chairman

JOSEPH O. WASIE, Secretary  
NATHAN DENOFRE, Commissioner

## **Humboldt Township Planning Commission**

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**Regular Meeting  
Thursday, April 22, 2019 – 7:00 PM  
Humboldt Township Hall**

Chairman Kippola called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

Roll Call, Pledge of Allegiance

MEMBERS PRESENT: Jim Kippola, Dan Etelamaki, Jeffrey Ogea, Nate Denofre, Joe Wasie  
MEMBERS ABSENT: None  
STAFF PRESENT: Howard Robare, Zoning Administrator; Thomas Prophet, Supervisor  
STAFF ABSENT: None  
PUBLIC PRESENT: Brooke Routhier, Matt Johnson

### **APPROVAL OF AGENDA:**

**Motion: To approve the agenda as written.**

**Jeff Ogea, Moved; Dan Etelamaki, Supported; 5 Ayes, 0 Nays, 0 Absent; Motion Carried.**

### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

**Motion: To approve the March 14, 2019 regular meeting minutes as written.**

**Jeff Ogea, Moved; Dan Etelamaki, Supported; 5 Ayes, 0 Nays, 0 Absent; Motion Carried.**

**Motion: To approve the March 20, 2019 Special Meeting Minutes as written.**

**Jeff Ogea, Moved; Dan Etelamaki, Supported; 5 Ayes, 0 Nays, 0 Absent; Motion Carried.**

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

### **CORRESPONDENCE:**

- A) Notice of Decision Conditional Use Permit Application CUP2019-01 Elton Luce JR., Circle L-5 Ranch

### **OLD BUSINESS:**

#### **A) Humboldt Township Master Plan Update**

An update on the MP is expected to be delivered via email from CUPPAD. There will be one more work session anticipated before the final draft is complete. The TB will have the opportunity to review and approve the final plan per the contract with CUPPAD.

#### **B) Marquette County Master Plan Update**

No update at this time.

#### **C) Disaster Preparedness Plan**

Nothing new to report, the procedure has yet to be determined.

#### **D) Eagle Mine Tour**

This is currently pending.

#### **E) Republic Township Master Plan**

Nothing new to update, the plan is still in process.

**F) Eagle Mine Water Treatment Plant Addition Site Plan**

Commissioners discussed the site plans as submitted by Lundin Mining. While there seems to be a lack of presence as to the specific location of the proposed addition, commissioners are more concerned with the existing Residential Zoning Classification for a part of the water treatment plant site. It was determined that prior to site plan review, the zoning issue should first be addressed and reconciled before proceeding.

**Motion: To reconcile the zoning land use issue for the site, prior to proceeding with the site plan approval process.**

**Joe Wasie, Moved; Jeff Ogea, Supported; 5 Ayes, 0 Nays, 0 Absent; Motion carried.**

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**A) Recreation Projects-2019**

Chairman Kippola requested commissioners to review optional priorities to discuss at future PC meetings. The next recreational project is projected to be the Fish Lake Public Access Site.

**REPORTS:**

**A) Dollar General**

This project is on hold as a revised site plan is expected.

**B) Old Elf Site**

Review of the existing facility appears to be warranted to determine if any building re-configurations have been initiated and to assure that any changes are in compliance with ordinance requirements.

**C) Van Damme Pit**

Further discussion with owners and township officials is anticipated to reconcile existing issues.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:** MCTA annual dinner meeting is 5-8-19 at Michigamee Township Hall.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** None

**ADDITIONAL COMMENTS FROM THE PLANNING COMMISSION:** Joe Wasie indicated a need for a ZBA policies and procedures guideline. Chairman Kippola requested Joe Wasie to prepare a draft for review by the commissioners.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

**Motion: To adjourn meeting 8:10 PM**

**Dan Etelamaki, Moved; Jeff Ogea, Supported; 5 Ayes, 0 Nays, 0 Absent; Motion Carried.**

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Joseph O. Wasie, Secretary