

Republic Township Planning Commission
Regular Meeting July 10, 2023

1. Call to Order and Pledge to Flag, by Chairman J. Kraft at 7:10 pm
Present: I. Dishno, D. Harold, C. Biolo, S. Christian, J. Kraft
2. Approval of Agenda: Motion to approve Agenda with additions by D. Harold, 2nd by S. Christian, motion passed.
3. Approval of May 8 , 2023 and June 12, 2023: Motion to approve May 8, 2023 minutes by S. Christian, 2nd by I. Dishno, motion passed.
Motion to approve June 12, 2023 minutes by S. Christian, 2nd by D. Harold, motion passed.
4. Reports:
 - a) Zoning Administrator:
 - b) Recreation Committee: S. Christian
 - 1) Filed Sparks grant, going to work on Trust Fund grant with C. Biolo
 - 2) Rock Solid Trails is coming out July 20, to walk the 92 acres. Going to get together with C. Biolo for questions to ask the company for the Trust Fund Grant. Also wanting an ADA (Disability) trail, even if small.
 - 3) Daniel Roberts and friends have completed the 9 holes Disc Golf and a tournament is being held July 15, 2023. A sign is going up this next week on M95. Crowd funding with Patronicity who works with the State of Michigan. Can make up to \$9000 and they will match it. So far \$4800 has been raised.
 - 4) I. Dishno stated that we should have a sign/donation gage.
 - 5) Alex Sylvester wants to get a Moto-cross track up to be able to do races. Was told to get a plan and come back to the Recreation Committee.
 - c) Resource Management: John Kraft, has nothing to report.
 - d) Community Character: Irene Dishno:
 - 1) Everything going forward for the Retro Days. There will be a

battle of the bands, many vendors, craft tents, and a bounce house for the children.

2) Parade: looking for Grand Marshall, wanting all committees, township board, board of review, DPW to be in the parade.

3) Wanting to have a Career Day with all the committee members present.

e) Residential Growth:

f) Transportation:

g) Industry:

5. Old Business:

a) No updates to the Recreation Plan.

6. New Business:

a) John Kraft stepping down as chairman. S. Christian made motion nominate I. Dishno as chairperson, 2nd by J. Kraft, no other nominations were submitted. Motion to close the nominations made by C. Biolo, 2nd by J. Kraft. Passed that I. Dishno be Chairperson.

b) Solar energy ordinance received from the county. Motion to move the ordinance up to Township Board made by D. Harold, 2nd S. Christian Motion passed with 4 for it, 1 abstained.

7. Public Comment: None

8. Adjourn: Next meeting August 14, 2023. Motion to adjourn by J. Kraft, 2nd by I. Dishno, motion passed.

Meeting adjourned at 7:52 pm

Prepared by Deborah Harold, secretary.

Deborah Harold

Date: July 16, 2023