

Minutes of the Meeting of the Joint Planning Board of Avon Township & the City of Avon May 20, 2024

Call to Order: The Joint Planning Board meeting was called to order by Chair Rich Sanoski at 7:00 P.M. in the Council Chambers of the Avon City Hall.

Roll Call: Those present introduced themselves.

Present: Brian Rassier (*Township Supervisor*), Mark Schulzetenberge (*City Council*), Rich Sanoski (*Township Planning Commission*) and Jim Read (*City Planning Commission*).

Also present: Jodi Austing-Traut (*City Administrator*), LeRoy Gondringer (*Township Supervisor*), Chad Klocker (*Township Supervisor*), Stephen Saupe (*Township Clerk*), Kelly Martini (*Township Treasurer*), Jeff Manthe (*City Mayor*).

Approval of Agenda:

Read moved to approve the May 20, 2024 agenda as written.

Second Rassier

Motion passed unanimously

Minutes:

Schulzetenberge moved to approve the minutes from the October 30, 2023 meeting as presented.

Second Read

Motion passed unanimously

Agenda:

1) Joint Powers Agreement renewal in 2025

Read asked if there were any ideas about how to make it more attractive for lake properties to annex into the city and connect to city water and sewer. Gondringer stated that it is not really in the township's interest to make annexation attractive, that is more of a city issue. There was discussion specifically about properties that are adjacent to city property and in close proximity to city services such as Kopyy Ln, Lower Spunk Ln, Poverty Point, and Shorewood Drive. There was general consensus that a committee be established to look further into the agreement to determine whether changes are needed prior to the December 2025 expiration date.

Read moved to form a committee to work through the details of the Orderly Annexation Agreement and bring a recommendation back to the Joint Planning Board

Second Schulzetenberge

Motion passed unanimously

2) Noise Barrier Update

Saupe gave an update on the noise barrier project which was recently approved for a \$1.6 Million grant. Township residents are working toward obtaining donations for the Town share of the cost of the wall. The wall will be located on the south side of I-94. It will stop just before the creek.

3) Fire Hall Expansion Update

Ground breaking was held today, May 20th, 2024. City and Township representatives, along with fire personnel were in attendance. Mayor Manthe gave some history of how the project came to be. Anticipated completion by the end of November, 2024.

4) Street Reconstruction

1st St SE in the City will be reconstructed in spring of 2025. Township may wish to engage with the same contractor to resurface the township portion of 1st Street up to Norway Road.

Announcement of Next Meeting:

May 19, 2025 at the Town Hall

Adjournment:

Motion by Read to adjourn at about 7:55 PM.

Second by Rassier

Motion carried unanimously

Respectfully submitted,

Jodi Austing-Traut

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