

**Buchanan Township Planning Commission
Regular Meeting
February 23, 2022**

CALL TO ORDER

The regular February 23, 2022 meeting of the Buchanan Township Planning Commission (PC) was called to order by Chairman Dennis Wentworth at 6:30 pm

Members Present: Dennis Wentworth (Chair), Scott Albright, Gerald (Jerry) DiPietro, Daniel Lakin, Kimberly Scarpone, Katie Heyliger, Rachel Plank

Members Absent: None

Others Present: Enforcement Officer Eileen Glick, Dave Zelmer, Chuck Tidey, Gerie Crouch, Mike Balos, Doug Weldy, Amy Richie, Ryan and Tabitha Wheat, Thomas and Katrina Entwistle, Phil Weldy, Bob Ruth, Tim Richie, Jerie Crouch

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by those present

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Jerry DiPietro motioned to accept the agenda as presented, Kimberly Scarpone seconded.

Voice vote: ALL APPROVED

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – November 17, 2021- amended to include Others Present: Sabine Wheatley

Addendum to address July 28, 2021 inaccurate minutes (Attached)

Rachel Plank moved and Daniel Lakin seconded to accept the minutes as amended

Voice vote: ALL APPROVED

BRIEF PUBLIC COMMENT

None

CORRESPONDENCE

None

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None

PUBLIC HEARING

Public Hearing – Rezoning by Ricci Properties LLC, Amy Richie, 13638 N. Red Bud Trail, Buchanan, MI 49107 Parcel: 11-06-0014-0012-02-8.

Dennis Wentworth opened the Public Hearing at 6:33 PM

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Eileen Glick read the staff report regarding the re-zoning, Amy Richie summarized the property purchase, Phil Weldy voiced his support and commended their business.

Dennis Wentworth closed the public meeting at 6:37 PM

Kimberly Scarpone motioned to recommend to the Board of Trustees the Re-zoning as written, for parcel 11-06-0014-0012-02-8, Daniel Lakin Seconded.

Roll Call Vote:

Cayde Heyliger	YES	Daniel Lakin	YES
Rachel Plank	YES	Kimberly Scarpone	YES
Dennis Wentworth	YES	Jerry DiPietro	YES
Scott Albright	YES		

MOTION CARRIED

Public Hearing: Special Land Use for Ricci Properties LLC, Amy Richie 13638 Red Bud Trail, Buchanan, MI 49107. Parcel 11-06-0014-0012-02-8

Dennis Wentworth opened the Public Hearing at 6:38 PM

Amy Ritchie spoke regarding the plans for the property camping and to improve traffic flow. They plan on adding a roadway, and a farm fence in the back and remove a few trees. This is in anticipation of the Special International event this July.

Dennis Wentworth requested that vegetation and trees be placed to provide privacy to the neighbor(s) and improve the appearance. Scott Albright was concerned that the same terms in the original Special Land Use previously granted be followed and revert the land back to non – SLU within 30 days if the property is sold and new owners would have to re-apply for a Special Land Use Permit as needed.

Dennis Wentworth closed the Public Hearing at 6:51 PM

Dennis Wentworth moved to recommend to the Township Board the addition of the said 10 acres to the current SLU for the Ricci Properties, LLC as applied for with the understanding that the property(s) would revert back to non-SLU within 30 days after the property is sold, and vegetation be added to shield the perimeter as needed. Kim Scarpone seconded.

Roll Call Vote:

Cayde Heyliger	YES	Daniel Lakin	YES
Rachel Plank	YES	Kimberly Scarpone	YES
Dennis Wentworth	YES	Jerry DiPietro	YES
Scott Albright	YES		

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NEW BUSINESS

Special Planning Commission meeting on March 2, 2022 to review a site plan for Anne's Flowers
(Gordon Wedding Studio)

Meeting Adjourned 7:08 PM

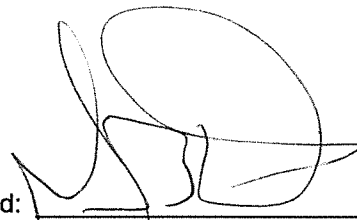
Next Regular Meeting: To be determined



Gerald DiPietro, Secretary

APPROVED ON: March 2, 2022

signed:


Secretary