

**FOREST HOME TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION  
MEETING MINUTES  
March 9, 2022 @ 7:00 PM**

Members present: Paul Trumble, Doug Dewey and Tom Sheneman.  
Absent Linda Cran and Dan Steiner.  
Also, present Stephen Barnard, David Martin and Mark McCool.

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

The Pledge of Allegiance to the U.S. flag.

**AGENDA:**

Moved by Sheneman, and seconded by Dewey that the commission approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried – Unanimous.

The Chairman requested Public Comment. Mark McCool addressed the commission. Public comment closed at 7:07 p.m.

Commission member Linda Cran arrived to meeting at 7:07 p.m.

**ZONING ADMINISTRATOR – UPDATE: STEPHEN BARNARD**

Mark McCool – Dewitt Marine Inc. – Clam Creek Properties, LLC:

ID# 05-07-530-020-00 9291 Clam Lake Road Lots 23 to 30 Include Supervisor’s plat of Helena Quonset hut building: Change use from a storage type facility, to use for small parties for our slip customers.

Bellaire Fire Chief – Chuck Shumaker:

*Provided the Township Board with a detailed report of all incidents for the Township in 2021.*

Gordy Schafer – Re-Zoning Issue:

Request for construction of a structure 182’ X 60’ containing 4 garage bays, 1 bay providing area for storage, mechanical room and a dwelling at the front of structure. Sharing common foundation and Property zoned Rural Residential (RR) District

- *Barry Cole Attorney, PLC – FHT Zoning Administration rezoning processes*

Discussion followed.

Windward Shores: Torch Lake Drive Project Mr. Hayden:

Complaints and/or questions from neighboring property owners.

Reported that the garage was properly permitted: Builder Ken VanHouten

Twelve months to complete construction and may request an extension.

Discussion followed.

**MINUTES:**

Moved by Sheneman, and seconded by Dewey, that the commission approve the meeting minutes of December 1, 2021 as written. Motion carried – Unanimous.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

- Sheneman - addressed the proposal of Clam River Marina by Judith Hill of 9178 Clam Lake Road:
  - Barnard Update – Department of Environmental, Great Lakes, and Energy Hill Application (EAGLE) – denied.
- Cran – Steve Bacon Property M-88, structure/cabin built on trailer continues to be moved around the property and no signs of fallen tree cleanup.
- Sheneman– Meeder Property on Lynn Road just off Torch Lake Drive questions.
  - Barnard Update: A permitted 1000 square feet Pole Barn with living quarters.
- Barnard - 133 North East Torch Lake Drive continue to monitor as Landscape Logistics of Charlevoix submitted site plan.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

Steve Barnard addressed the commission seeking their opinion on considering an increase in the fee for the application for a Special Land Use Application fee to \$650.00 from \$500.00 to cover township costs. Discussion followed.

Moved by Cran, and seconded by Dewey that the commission approve to increase the fee for Special Land Use applications to \$650.00 effective immediately. Motion carried - all present voting yes.

The Chairman requested Public Comment. David Martin addressed the Commission. Public comment closed at 7:40 p.m.

The meeting adjourned at 7:41 p.m.

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Chair, Paul Trumble

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Secretary, Linda Cran