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Merrill Township Planning Commission
Board Meeting Minutes
January 18, 2024

The meeting was called to order by the Chairman Mr. Mark Bates at 7:01 PM. Followed by the Pledge of Allegiance lead by Mr. Brian Bordewyk.

Roll Call

Mr. Brian Bordewyk
Ms. Bonnie St. Amour, Secretary
Mr. Mark Bates, Chairman
Ms. Venola Walton-Stanciel, Township Board Representative
Mr. Jim Alger

Mr. Coffey, MSU Extension

Approval of Meeting Agenda

Ms. Walton-Stanciel motioned to add to the agenda the election of officers and Mr. Alger seconded. The motion was carried.

Approval of Minutes from November 20, 2023

Mr. Alger motioned to approve both minutes and Ms. Walton-Stanciel seconded, motion carried.

Opening Remarks

Mr. Bates informed the Commission that the Township Board has approved the lighting project to upgrade all of the lights in the Township Hall and out to LEDs. This should be completed in approximately 4-8 weeks.

New Business:

Mr. Coffey worked with the Township Attorney and assisted the Planning Commission in changing a couple of sentences in the Zoning Ordinance. The notification of the changes will be printed in the paper for the public notice.

Ms. Walton-Stanciel motioned to keep the exiting member on the Commission and Mr. Alger seconded, the motion carried:

Mr. Bates, Chairman
Mr. Bordewyk, Vice Chairman
Ms. St. Amour, Secretary

Mr. Alger
Ms. Walton-Stanciel, Board Liaison

Ms. Walton-Stanciel motioned to continue the Planning Commission meetings on the third Thursday of every month. Meeting will be held at the Merrill Township hall at 7:00 pm.

Public Comments

One person spoke during the public comment.

Mr. Bates adjourned the meeting at 9:15pm.