



## **Van Buren County Planning Commission**

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**February 23, 2022**

### **Van Buren County Planning Commission**

#### **Minutes**

**Call to Order & Attendance 6:30** *In attendance Radtke, Cedarquist, Doroh, Martin, Hemenway, Petersen, Stermer, Rose Abs: Gilmore*

**Approve Agenda:** *On a Doroh / Radtke motion to approve amended agenda. unanimous*

**Approval Minutes of December 15, 2021:** *On a Radtke/Martin motion to approve unanimous*

**Public Comment:** Tom & Tara Motycka spoke regarding the Decatur rezoning to LI from AR. Dick Overton from Decatur Twp. PC also in attendance

#### **Reports:**

County Commissioner- *Doroh Reported*

Southwestern Michigan Commission Representative (Only if meeting scheduled) *Doroh Reported*

Local Visits - *Doroh- rounds with this units, Rose-Covert Twp.,*

#### **Unfinished Business:**

#### **New Business:**

Decatur Twp Rezoning Motycka 80-08-010-009-40 (AR) Ag Residential to I-1 Light Industrial : *After lengthy discussion which members discussed the property history, learned about the structure, and just how it came to be in the current zone, the VBCPC on a Radtke/ Martin motion (unanimous) to concur with the Decatur Twp PC decision to not grant a rezoning the property, but rather to consider a conditional zoning. It allows reasoned negotiation and appropriate balancing of landowner, neighborhood, and governmental interests. Properly applied, it serves the legitimate interests of all involved.*

Decatur Twp. Zoning Text Amendment: An Ordinance to add definitions related to solar energy; to add Large Solar Energy Facility (LSEF) as a Special Exception Use in the AG Agricultural District, I-1 Industrial District and M Manufacturing District Zoning Classifications; to set forth parameters for consideration by the planning commission; to provide for an effective date of the amendment; and to repeal all Ordinances or parts of Ordinances in conflict therewith. *On a Radtke/Petersen motion to concur with Decatur Twp PC recommendation unanimous*

Lawrence Twp Zoning Text Amendment – Marihuana Overlay District Revision: *On a Martin/Rose motion to concur with Lawrence Twp PC recommendation unanimous*

Jeff Radtke Resignation- *On a Martin/Cedarquist motion to accept resignation and thanks for years of service to the VBCPC unanimous*

Adjourn: