

**Whitefish Township Planning Commission**  
**General Meeting Minutes**  
**August 12, 2020 via Teleconference, 7p.m.**

**Attendance:** David Heyboer, Bill West, Terry Humphrey, Richard Gratopp  
**Absent:** Ashley Lowell

The meeting was called to order by Terry Humphrey at 7:01 p.m. Roll call was completed. There were no amendments to the agenda

Gratopp moved to accept the General Meeting minutes of June 10, 2020 as presented; Heyboer supported, Heyboer; yes, West; yes, Humphrey; yes, Gratopp; yes, motion carried.

Gratopp moved to accept the Public Hearing minutes of June 10, 2020 as presented; Heyboer supported, Heyboer; Yes, Gratopp; Yes, West; Yes, Humphrey; Yes, motion carried.

**Public Comment** None

**Zoning Administrator report** Edson Forrester stated that 7 new zoning permits have been issued which makes a total of 16 for the year and there have been a lot of calls asking for information on building in the township. He is currently working on documenting non-conforming uses to zoning and developing a plan for dealing with temporary structures and cargo containers.

**Old Business**

Discussion on the topic of limiting the number of short term rentals that one landowner can have. The Commission is tentatively looking at limiting the number of Short Term Rental permits to 2 per landowner. David Heyboer will contact MTA for guidance on this matter and to see if there are any precedents set for limiting the number of STR's for individual landowners. No action will be taken on this matter until feedback is received from MTA.

Planning commission will continue to investigate making changes to Zoning along M-123 south of town. No action was taken at this time.

**New Business**

During the discussion on Short Term Rentals it was determined that the renewal process for Short Term Rental and renewal fees needed to be implemented. Edson Forrester said he would draft a document for presentation to the Township Board.

Gratopp moved to adjourn meeting, Heyboer supported, Heyboer; Yes, Gratopp; Yes, West; Yes, Humphrey; Yes, motion passed.  
Meeting adjourned, 8:15 p.m.

*William West* *Terry Humphrey*  
*David Heyboer* *Richard Gratopp*

Minutes prepared by Terry Humphrey 08/15/2020

Minutes approved 10/7/2020  
(Date)

Signatures:

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