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**SPRING LAKE TOWNSHIP
PLANNING COMMISSION MINUTES
NOVEMBER 18, 2020 – REGULAR MEETING**

PRESENT: Harry Dyck, Jack Ketchum, Greg Latsch, Jerry Rabideau, David Rumpel, Sarah Somers, Russ Tiles
ABSENT: None
PARTICIPANTS: Lukas Hill, Township Community Development Director

Pursuant to PA228 of 2020, the Township of Spring Lake Planning Commission conducted its business via conference call to mitigate the spread of COVID-19. Members of the public were encouraged to dial in to this meeting. Members of the public were not required to register or otherwise provide information to attend.

A. Call to Order

Rumpel called the meeting to order at 7:01pm. Commissioners welcomed Sarah Somers as a Planning Commission member.

B. Approval of Agenda

Ketchum made a motion, support by Tiles, to approve the agenda as presented. A roll call vote was taken. The motion passed unanimously.

C. Approval of Minutes

Latsch made a motion, support by Ketchum, to adopt the Planning Commission October 21, 2020 regular meeting minutes as presented. A roll call vote was taken. The motion passed unanimously.

D. Public Comments

A time for public comment was provided. No comments were offered.

E. Zoning Ordinance Text Amendment Considerations

- 1. Waterfront Accessory Structures**
- 2. Accessory Buildings**

Hill reviewed requests from the Zoning Board of Appeals to consider changes to the Zoning Ordinance related to the size of waterfront accessory structures and to accessory buildings in the front yard on flag lots. Commissioners agreed with the concept of the changes and directed Hill to continue to work on the draft ordinance.

F. Master Plan Update - Discussion

Hill and Commissioners discussed Chapter 2 of the Master Plan, which stated goals for the Township. The goals were reviewed, and many of the goals have been achieved. New goals were discussed.

G. Commissioner Comments

1. Township Board: The Corridor Improvement Authority is working on entrance improvements on M104. The Board is discussing a sewer extension to Crockery Township. Lakeside Auto will be moving onto the VanderMill property soon.
2. ZBA: There were two applications considered at the ZBA meeting. An attached garage authorization was approved, and a waterfront setback determination was made.
3. Community Development Director: Ottawa County is working on regional plans for housing, groundwater, and mass transit.

H. Adjournment

Ketchum moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:50pm. Tiles seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Jack Ketchum, Secretary Planning Commission