Meeting Minutes – Updated Final

Augusta Charter Township

Regular Planning Commission Meeting

Township Hall

September 15, 2021

6:30 pm

- **1. Call to Order**: The meeting was called to order by Chair Yurk at 6:34 PM.
- **2. Pledge of Allegiance:** The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Chair Yurk.
- **3. Roll Call and Recognition of Visitors:** Present Buxton, Hall, Spence, Woolf, Yurk. Hurd. Quorum present. Also attending were Planner Laura Kreps, Counsel Victor Lillich, and many members of the public. Not present Nicholas Bayley township engineer.
- **4. Approval of Agenda:** Motion by spence to approve. Supported by Hall. Motion carried unanimously.
- 5. Approval of Minutes:
- A. Planning Commission Meeting Minutes from August 18, 2021 Regular Meeting: Motion by Woolf to approve supported Hall by motion carried unanimously
- B. Planning commission meeting Minutes from July,21 2021Motion by Spence to approve supported by Hurd motion carried unanimously
- **6. Public Hearings:** Motion by Hurd to open public hearings supported by spence motion carried unanimously

6.A Public Hearings:

a. SLU 21-01, Railsplitter #2, Special Land Use, Large-Scale Solar

Facility, north of Arkona, south of Talladay, east of Sanford, west of

Gooding. T-20-19-400-001; T-20-19-400-002; 5655 Willow Road (T-20-

30-100-002); 5760 Willow Road (T-20-30-100-003); T-20-30-100-004;

12439 McCrone Road (T-20-30-100-005); T-20-30-200-004; T-20-30-200-

008; T-20-30-200-012; T-20-30-400-006; T-20-19-300-003; T-20-30-200-009; 12182 McCrone Road

- 1. Sergio Trevino-Ranger Power spoke at Length. Gave a presentation booklet to all commissioners. Took and answered questions from the public.
- 2. Another gentleman's name? Ranger Power would jump in from time to time responding to questions from commissioners. Stating ranger power and would stick to all our ordinances for the life of the project.

6A Public Comment:

- 1. Roy Cadell Willow rd
- 2. Randy Helt Willow rd.
- 3. Kathleen Devlin Mcrone rd
- 4. Tom Spence Willow rd.
- 5. Dan Devlin Mccrone rd.
- 6. Bud Dopkowski Sherman rd.
- 7. Mathew Spence Mcrone rd.
- 8. Dan Ricotta n Custer rd
- 9. Judith Lowe Judd rd.
- 10. Renyold Lowe Judd rd.
- 11. Cath Coward Willow rd.
- 12. Dave Snyder Tolan
- 13. Jesse carpenter Mccrone rd.
- 14. Richard Mcrone rd.
- 15. Jim Kovlak n Stoney Creek
- 16. Sergio Trevino from ranger power again answers many comments ,questions and concerts. Stated white Tale project has been off the table and not coming back. Rail Splitter projects on the table now and are all they have planned for our township.
- 6 b. Motion to close public hearing Spence supported by Hall Motion carried unanimously

7. Business Items

a. SLU 21-01, Railsplitter #2, Special Land Use, Large-Scale Solar Facility, north of Arkona, south of Talladay, east of Sanford, west of Gooding. T-20-19-400-001; T-20-19-400-002; 5655 Willow Road (T-20-30-100-002); 5760 Willow Road (T-20-30-100-003); T-20-30-100-004; 12439 McCrone Road (T-20-30-100-005); T-20-30-200-004; T-20-30-200-012; T-20-30-400-006; T-20-19-300-003; T-20-30-200-009; 12182 McCrone Road

7 A. After lengthy discussions there was a motion to postpone by commissioner Hall till the next meeting. Supported by Spence carried unanimously by all.

Many reasons being ,to gather more info to make sure all citizens surrounded by this large scale solar facility have been notified. Ordinances. Housing rates. Drainage and Many more concerns from our citizens. Development agreement will be needed with remedies.

8. Public Comments

- Concerned citizens asking when the bridge at Talladay and Mc crone is going to be fixed Commissioner Hall
 responded. supplies seem to be the problem per washtenaw county.
- 2. Upset citizen voiced his opinion and apologized for being upset. He lives around the proposed project and feels he was not notified. Commissioner Yurk addressed the situation and the clerk's office is in the process of notifying everyone surrounding the project. This has been done before some may have been missed so to be fair to everyone commissioners requested they be notified again. Also stated we all have an e-mail address if any one wants to send info all on the township website.
- **9. Communications: 1.**Commissioner Hall stated the Board of trustees -(BOT) Agreed to open the master plan. All other commissioners had no further communications.
- **2.** Laura Kreps, our planner, looks forward to public input and commissioners' (BOT) input on opening the master plan for the future growth and preservation of our township. Kick off meeting, steering committee for the master plan and public hearing all coming soon.
- **10. Adjournment**: Motion by Hurd to adjourn. Supported by Hall Motion carried unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 9:37 PM.

Informed Noted: PLEASE we ask to keep it civil. You will be asked to leave and may not be able to return in future meetings. We know things get heated at times but control your actions. **Thank you.**