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**SPRING LAKE TOWNSHIP
PLANNING COMMISSION MINUTES
JANUARY 20, 2021 – REGULAR MEETING**

PRESENT: Harry Dyck, Jack Ketchum, Greg Latsch, David Rumpel, Sarah Somers, Russ Tiles
ABSENT: Jerry Rabideau
PARTICIPANTS: Lukas Hill, Township Community Development Director

Pursuant to PA254 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 7:00pm.

B. Approval of Agenda

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

C. Approval of Minutes

Ketchum made a motion, support by Somers, to adopt the Planning Commission December 16, 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
Residential Accessory Structures**

- i. Accessory Buildings in the front yard of non-waterfront lots**
- ii. Waterfront Accessory Structures**

Hill stated the Township Board has considered the accessory structures draft ordinance and has made some suggestions. They have sent it back to the Planning Commission for review. Commissioners discussed the draft ordinance.

Motion by Latsch, support by Ketchum, to direct Hill to set a public hearing on the Zoning Text Amendment Ordinance for the February meeting. A roll call vote was taken. The motion passed unanimously.

F. Master Plan Update - Discussion

Hill and Commissioners reviewed the action plan from the current Master Plan. They also reviewed the community engagement proposal.

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Motion by Rumpel, support by Ketchum, to direct Hill to bring the community engagement proposal to the Township Board for review. A roll call vote was taken. The motion passed unanimously.

G. Commissioner Comments

1. Township Board: The Zoning Text Amendment Ordinance for Self-Storage Buildings was approved. The Board is currently working on the budget for the 21/22 fiscal year.
2. ZBA: No meeting since the last Planning Commission meeting. There are three applications on the January 28 agenda.
3. Community Development Director: Arcadia is considering a PUD amendment requesting removal of the commercial buildings near the high school. Lakeside Auto will be asking for a minor site plan amendment to allow the proposed changes to take place in one phase. Laker Lockers has submitted a site plan for an expansion, and the review will be on the February agenda.

H. Adjournment

Ketchum moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:16pm. Latsch seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Jack Ketchum, Secretary
Planning Commission