

Conway Township Planning Commission
2021 Annual Summary Report

Date	Overview
January – March 2020	No meetings due to Covid pandemic.
April 21, 2021	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reviewed zoning revisions provide by Township Attorney, Abby Cooper; accessory buildings, event barns, accessory dwelling units • Election of officers: Mike Stock-Chair, Chuck Skwirsk-Vice Chair, Londa Horton-Secretary. • Meeting cadence set for second Monday of every month. • Submission of Annual Report by Londa Horton • Discussed: Medical Marijuana, Land Division General Law Ordinance, Solar Farms Commercial • Commissioners gave Bill Grubb feedback on Hazard Mitigation Survey
May 10, 2021	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Public Hearing on Zoning Ordinance revisions: sign standards, site development requirements, shared drive, keeping of animals/RTFA, airport approach. Motion passed recommending for approval of these Zoning Ordinances to the Conway Township Board. • Digital devices and township emails provided to all Planning Commissioners • Reviewed pending zoning revisions: event barns, accessory structures, outdoor furnaces, parking space requirements, medical marijuana caregivers, land division, solar energy collectors. Tabled accessory dwelling units. • Motion passed to change solar energy collector’s setback from 1000 to 200 feet.
June 14, 2021	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chair Mike Stock announced his resignation. His last meeting was July 12, 2021 • Reviewed pending Zoning Ordinance revisions from Township Attorney, Abby Cooper: event barns, outdoor furnaces – removed, accessory dwelling units, parking space requirements, medical marijuana caregivers, land division.
July 12, 2021	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Michigan Planner’s</i> magazine membership due on July 1st. Dave Whitt and Meghan Swain-Kuch added to list to receive. • Livingston County Planning Commission recommended approval of pending Zoning Ordinance amendments. Now they go to the Conway Township Board for approval. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Z-15-21 Article 11: Industrial District, Section 11.03 Special Uses and Section 11:06 Site plan approvals required ▪ Z-16-21 Article 16: Private Roads, Driveways and Access Management, Section 16.06 Approval Process ▪ Z-17-21 Article 8: R Residential District, Section 8:06 Additional Site Development Requirements ▪ Z-18-21 Article 17: Sign Standards ▪ Z-19-21 Article 10: C-Commercial District Section 10.06 (B) to (F): Additional Site Development requirements ▪ Z-20-21 Article 10: C-Commercial District Section 10.06 (B) to (F): Additional Site Development Requirements ▪ Z-21-21 Article 6: General and Supplementary Regulations, Section 6.23 (D): Conway Township Airport Zoning Act ▪ Z-22-21 Article 6: General and Supplementary Regulations, Section 6.22 (A) and (B): Keeping of Animals.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reviewed pending zoning revisions list from Township Attorney Abby Cooper: event barns, accessory dwelling units • Ready for public hearing. Clerk to post in newspaper: event barns, accessory structures, parking space requirements for event barns, medical marijuana caregivers, land division 4/1 rule applies only to parcels 10 acres or less, solar energy collectors. • Discussion on medical marijuana caregivers • **NOTE to update Master Plan – name change from MDEQ and DNR to EGLE • Schedule Public Hearing for medical marijuana caregivers for next month. Clerk to post in newspaper. • ZBA allowed Kreeger store a variance and allowed outdoor displays. • Zoning Administrator directed Luke Bryant representative to fill out site plan application.
August 9, 2021	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Planning Commission welcomed new member Kelly Ralko • Public Hearing held medical marijuana caregivers on Special Use Application and Site Plan Application • Reviewed Township Attorney Abby Cooper’s list of pending zoning revisions – Public Hearing scheduled for September, Accessory Dwelling Units. • Discussion on status of Luke Bryant site plan application • Last Master Plan was 2017 and renewal will be in 2022. • Discussion on medical marijuana operation and vote passed on Special Use Permit and Site Plan Application SPR 01-021. Special Use Permit is subject to annual review. • Keith Wasilenski voted as new PC Chair.
September 13, 2021	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chair Keith Wasilenski handed out <i>Michigan Planners</i> magazines • Public Hearing on: event structures, accessory structures, parking space requirements for event structures, medical marijuana caregivers, land division, solar energy collectors. Motion passed to send to the Township Board for approval. • Reviewed Township Attorney Abby Cooper’s pending zoning revisions: accessory dwelling units • Steps reviewed for developing Master Plan: PC makes recommended changes, input by Livingston County Planning Commission, input from surrounding counties to make changes in next 30 days, approval by township board. • Motion passed for Master Plan 2022 photo contest
October 11, 2021	Meeting cancelled – lack of a quorum
November 8, 2021	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Discussion on lobbying for infrastructure bill before Congress. • Master Planner Chris Atkin resigned. • Discussion over lessons learned from Luke Bryan concert • Discussion over Land Use Permits for events • New public hearing must be held as it must be published in newspaper. Chair Keith Wasilenski to notify Clerk to post in newspaper. • Discussion on solar farm ordinance, sample MSU template for zoning, and need for a decommissioning plan which includes a bond or cash. Drew Vielbig gave a presentation on Ranger Power project. • Deadline for submission of photos for Master Plan is June 2022.

<p>December 13, 2021</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Discussion of onsite training for PC members• Discussion that infrastructure bill needs to be lobbied by Township Board• Discussion of ZA process for Luke Bryan future concerts• Public Hearing of Zoning Ordinance amendments: event structures, accessory structures, parking space requirements for event structures, medical marijuana caregivers, land division, solar energy collectors. Motion passed to send to the Township Board for approval.• January agenda to include: Accessory Dwelling Units, definition of Large Event zoning, review of Ranger Power proposed changes to solar ordinance• Presentation by Londa Horton on <i>Climate change in Conway Township and resiliency efforts by the Planning Commission</i>• Discussion on new township planner• Review Master Plan pages for updates or modifications:<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Pg. 2 update with current names/positions○ Pg. 11 & 12 census data from County○ Pg. 15 update DEQ with EGLE○ Pg. 24 how we meet community needs○ Pg. 26-34 new planner to review○ Pg. 36 – verify text there are 4 major types of land uses○ Pg. 44 – public participation – take out language on surveys○ Pg. 45 – ZO needs updated with current amendments○ Pg. 47 rewrite – new planner to review○ Pg. 49 legislation is constantly changing – update○ Pg. 48 cemetery plan put in as link○ Pg. 49 climate change update○ Pg. 51 hazard mitigation plan – take into account climate change.○ Review number of pictures required for photo contest• The PC Chair thanked PC members for their service.
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