

**Caseville Township Planning Commission
February 4, 2020**

Meeting called to order at 1:30 p.m. by Doug Grates.

Present: Doug Grates, Chairperson
Charles Morden, Vice Chairperson
Jerry Platko, Secretary
Gail Atkins
Robert Whitefoot
Michelle Stirrett, Recording Secretary

Excused: Ron George and Kathy Wroblewski.

Motion by Morden second by Whitefoot to approve the December 3, 2019 minutes. **Motion carried.**

Board Liaison Report: Platko reported that the Board appointed Jack Gleason to the Police Commission, approved a 2% cost of living increase to Board members, supported a County wide recycling program and millage, and was informed about a meeting with the Emergency Management and EGLE dealing with shoreline erosion.

Planning Workshop: Members can register for the Michigan Association of Planning workshop through the Clerk.

2020 Annual Report: Motion by Morden second by Atkins to approve the 2020 Annual report. Motion carried.

2020 Budget: Motion by Morden second by Atkins to keep the budget the same as 2019-20. Motion carried.

Parking Lot Requirements: Platko explained that the parking lot requirements have presented some restrictions for the new hall. Due to the current parking lot design standards (Section 154.246) the lot will have to be larger than planned and will not accommodate a sign, flag pole or necessary green space and the relocation of a guy wire.

Discussion took place on the size of the parking spaces, the State minimum requirement, and possible remedies for the situation. Terry Kelly was contacted to clarify that the current wording required the parking lot to be built into the easement, the granting of a variance and State regulations. Motion by Morden second by Atkins that the Planning Commission agrees to the variance of the parking space requirements to the 9 x 18 minimum parking space as designated by the State of Michigan. Motion withdrawn.

After reviewing the drawings for the parking lot with regards to the parking space size, it was determined that the measurements on the drawing may not be correct. Action on Section 154.246 tabled for further information.

Public Comments: None.

Board Comments:

Grates stated that Dan Tighe is available for grant writing if the Township has plans for any development.

Meeting adjourned at 2:30 p.m.

Michelle Stirrett
Recording Secretary

