

# Blue Lake Township

Kalkaska County, Michigan

## Minutes

Planning Board Regular Meeting  
Wednesday, August 5th, 2020 9:00 a.m.  
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- I. Meeting Call to Order at 9:09 a.m. - Allen
- II. Pledge of Allegiance – Allen
- III. Roll Call of Members Present: Allen, Sawasky, Bond, Shaw, Southwell, Gruley, Peterson  
Also present: Blair Shearer, Kathy Campbell
- IV. Adoption of Agenda – Allen  
Motion to adopt agenda was made by Shaw and supported by Sawasky, motion was carried.
- V. Declaration of Conflict of Interest – None
- VI. Minutes of last meeting  
Motion to approve amended minutes of last meeting dated July 11, 2020 was made by Peterson and supported by Shaw. Motion was carried.
- VII. Public Input –
  1. Blair Shearer spoke about the negative comments on Social Media and from emails received by the township regarding the Planning Commission. He congratulated the Planning Board on doing a great job and asked the members of the Planning Board to stay positive.
- VIII. Report of Township Board Representative to Planning Commission – Shaw  
Nothing to report
- IX. Report Planning Representative to the Zoning Board of Appeals – Sawasky  
Nothing to report
- X. Old Business –
  1. Discuss what constitutes a home business and the changes to ordinances suggested by Attorney so that the proposed ordinances can be finalized and submitted to the Blue Lake Township Board for approval.
  2. Review and approve draft of a Rezoning Application
  3. Update Variance Form to remove Planning board and add Zoning Board of Appeals for approval
  4. Update and approve Fireworks Ordinance
- XI. New Business -
  1. Mary Shaw to provide information on whether or not the adoption of the new ordinances by the Township Board had been published in the newspaper.
  2. A letter will be drafted for approval and mailed out to the residents to inform them of the outcome of the Public Meeting held in July 2020.
  3. Plan what business the Planning Board should discuss for 2020.
- XII. Public Input
  1. Blair Shearer presented literature from the DEQ Water & Land Management which would be available for the Planning Board to review.
- XIII. Planning Board Member Comments and Input
  1. The Michigan Township Magazine states that a draft of the meeting minutes should be posted online by the Planning Board within 5 days of the meeting and in writing in the window of the Township Hall Office within 8 days of the meeting. This will begin with the September meeting.

**XIV. Set/Confirm Next Meeting Date**

Next meeting: Wednesday, September 2nd at 9:00 a.m. at the Township Hall.

**XV. Adjournment –**

Motion to adjourn at 11:10 a.m. was made by Sawasky and supported by Shaw.  
Motion was carried.

These minutes are not official until approved by the Blue Lake Township Planning Commission at the next scheduled meeting.

Respectfully Submitted by:

Attested to:

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Tina Peterson, Secretary  
Planning Board

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Rhonda Allen, Planning Board