

Planning Commission Meeting
Minutes
2 E. Maple St, Sand Lake, MI 49343
October 30, 2025 1:00 p.m.

The meeting was called to order at 1:00 p.m. by VanderMeulen, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

ATTENDANCE:

Members Present: Doerr, Wright, Knottnerus, VanderMeulen

Members Absent: Ballivian

Also in attendance: Scott

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

A motion to approve the agenda as presented was made by Wright, supported by Knottnerus. Motion carries.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

A motion to approve the October 23, 2025, minutes was made by Knottnerus, supported by Wright. Motion carries.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

a. **SITE PLAN:**

Scott reviewed the site plan, the structure view, and the landscaping. They are looking at some lighting. Currently, the site plan has the homes grouped by size. They would like some flexibility to be able to mix the smaller and larger units together to reach different price points for people. Discussion on approving the project in Phases. The attorney is looking into what would need to be done with abandoning streets to be able to sell the additional property to the developer. These would be condominiums. There would be a master deed as well as bylaws. VanderMeulen mentioned adding more trees to balance out the landscaping. Review from the Fire Department Chief said the roads were wide enough for them and short enough that they would be able to back out. Doerr would like a front view of the structure with the landscaping added in to get an idea of what they would like with landscaping. There is a question about the storm drain on Cherry and the runoff to the retention pond. They would like to keep the current road as a one-way road with a bike/walking path painted on the side.

VanderMeulen asked if there were any concerns from the Zoning Administrator regarding the site plan. There are none.

A motion was made by Knottnerus to approve the conceptual plan for phases I & II of Sand Lake Commons subject to the approval of the rezoning by the Village Council, review of drainage plan, and addition of deciduous trees, supported by Doerr. Motion carries.

b. Schedule Public Hearing:

A motion was made by Doerr to schedule a public hearing for the rezoning of the school property for December 4, 2025, at 1:00 p.m., supported by Wright. Motion carries.

NEW BUSINESS:

There is no new business.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

There is no public comment.

ADJOURN:

A motion was made by Wright to adjourn the meeting at 2:17 p.m., supported by Doerr. Motion carries.

Next meeting will be December 4, 2025, at 1:00 p.m.