

2025 ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING

7:00 o'clock p.m. Chairperson Buechler calls the meeting of the Planning Commission to order.

1. ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Buechler, Hilton, Garand, Muir, Gerstenberger

ABSENT: Koob, Oprita

ALSO PRESENT: Courtney Landreville, Recording Secretary
 Jorja Baldwin, Planning/Zoning Consultant
 Connie Neese, Parks Commission
 Angela Defrain, Fort Gratiot Township
 Deloris Pickard, Clyde Township
 David Norris, Fort Gratiot Township
 Sarah Beebe, Fort Gratiot Township
 Thomas Naughton, Fort Gratiot Township

2. APPOINTMENT OF TEMPORARY CHAIR

Motion by Hilton, supported by Garand, to appoint Buechler, as temporary chair. Voice Vote, 5/0.

3. APPOINTMENT OF CHAIR, VICE CHAIR AND SECRETARY

Item 3-1: 2025 PLANNING COMMISSION CHAIR

Responsible for presiding over all meetings.

Temporary Chairperson Buechler opens the nominations for the 2025 Planning Commission Chair.

NOMINATIONS: Buechler

Temporary Chairperson Buechler closes the nominations for the 2025 Planning Commission Chair.

CHAIRPERSON:

Motion by Hilton, supported by Muir, to appoint Buechler, as 2025 Chairperson.
 Voice Vote, 5/0. Motion Passed.

Item 3-2: 2025 PLANNING COMMISSION VICE CHAIR

Acting Chair in case of absence or conflict of interest

Permanent Chairperson opens the nominations for the 2025 Planning Commission Vice Chair.

NOMINATIONS: Hilton

Chairperson Buechler closes the nominations for the 2025 Planning Commission Vice Chair.

VICE CHAIRPERSON:

Motion by Buechler, supported by Muir, to appoint Hilton, as 2025 Vice Chairperson.
 Voice Vote, 5/0. Motion Passed.

ITEM 3-3: 2025 PLANNING COMMISSION SECRETARY

The Secretary is responsible for taking attendance & roll call for voting.

Chairperson Buechler opens the nominations for the 2025 Planning Commission Secretary.

NOMINATIONS: Muir

Chairperson Buechler closes the nominations for the 2025 Planning Commission Secretary.

SECRETARY:

Motion by Hilton, supported by Gerstenberger, to appoint Muir, as 2025 Planning Commission Secretary. Voice Vote, 5/0. Motion Passed.

4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA: March 11, 2025

Motion by Buechler, supported by Garand, to approve the agenda as printed & posted. Voice Vote, 5/0. Motion Passed.

5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: November 12, 2024

Motion by Muir, supported by Buechler, to approve the minutes as presented. Voice Vote, 5/0. Motion Passed.

6. REPORT FROM TOWNSHIP BOARD REPRESENTATIVE: Clerk Robert Buechler

- Ordinance updates: Business license
- Park improvements & survey
- Township newsletter
- Master plan updates
- Website updates

7. REPORT FROM ZBA REPRESENTATIVE: Nathan Oprita – Not present

8. PUBLIC COMMENT

Angela Defrain – Master plan, solar voting, ordinance updates, future land use map

9. PUBLIC HEARINGS: None

10. OLD BUSINESS: None

11. NEW BUSINESS:

ITEM 11-1: 2025 PLANNING COMMISSION REPRESENTATIVE SERVING ON THE ZBA

Attend all ZBA meetings, third Tuesday of each month

Chairperson Buechler opens the nominations for the 2025 Planning Commission Representative on the Zoning Board of Appeals.

NOMINATIONS: Garand

Chairperson Buechler closes the nominations for the 2025 Planning Commission Representative on the Zoning Board of Appeals.

PLANNING COMMISSION MEMBER ON ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS:

Motion by Hilton, supported by Muir, to appoint Garand, as 2025 Planning Commission Representative on the Zoning Board of Appeals.

Voice Vote, 5/0.

12. COMMISSIONER UPDATES:

- Commissioner binders
- Master Plan Update Discussion
 - RFP to be issued by the Board of Trustees
 - Future Land Use Map - Focus Areas
 - New Legislation Regarding Housing

13. ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Muir, supported by Gerstenberger, to adjourn. Vote, 5/0. Time, 7:45 P.M.