

**CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF ELMWOOD
SPECIAL BOARD MEETING
JANUARY 20, 2021
ELECTRONIC REMOTE ACCESS**

Call to Order:

Supervisor Shaw called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance:

Trustee Allen recited the Pledge of Allegiance as requested by Supervisor Shaw.

Roll Call:

Present: Jeff Shaw, Connie Preston, Terry Lautner, Dave Darga, Chris Mikowski, Jim O'Rourke and Deb Allen, all participating from locations in Elmwood Township, Leelanau County, Michigan.

Excused: None

Declaration of Conflict of Interest

Supervisor Shaw stated that he would look for a motion to recuse him based on his owning a bed and breakfast which is allowed. As he has done from the beginning of this discussion, and especially since we have a new trustee, he explained his position. He has an owner occupied short term rental in Elmwood Township in his home which he bought in 1998 and which he lives in. He also owns a vacation home in the Upper Peninsula and a time share in Mexico, both of which he rents out. He would be more than happy to sit this one out as he has said since the beginning. Regardless of what the board decides it will not affect him more than any other board member. He would look for a motion. Is there any board member to make that motion? Seeing none, he moved to brief public comment.

Public Comment:

Kelsey Testa
Sue Jones
Tammy Space
Rod Jones
Matthew Vermetten
Paul Walter
Joe Sanok
Del Moore
Jenna Belyea
AnneMarie Wigton
Colleen Mulligan
Megan Luce
Christina Sanok
Jack Kelly
Meryl Marsh
Anna Heiges

Mark Hoffman
Kelly Ignace
Mark Breederland
Chris Creamer
Levi Meeuwenberg
David Colby
Mike McGill
Karyl Moore
Todd Space
Joe Testa

Agenda Approval

MOTION BY TREASURER MIKOWSKI, SECONDED BY TRUSTEE ALLEN TO APPROVE THE AGENDA AS PRESENTED. The motion passed 7-0 by a roll call vote.

New Business

STR Ordinance Discussion

Planner Sara Kopriva gave the background and explained the STR Ordinance as created by the Planning Commission.

Supervisor Shaw called a five minute recess at 7:37 p.m.
Supervisor Shaw called the meeting back to order at 7:42 p.m.

Board members discussed their thoughts on the ordinances as presented by the Planning Commission. After some discussion, there was no motion made. Supervisor Shaw stated that it was 8:30 p.m. and we would need a motion to continue the meeting. There was no motion made to continue.

MOTION BY TRUSTEE LAUTNER, SECONDED BY TRUSTEE ALLEN TO RECESS THE MEETING UNTIL WEDNESDAY JANUARY 27TH AT 6:00 P.M. The motion passed 7-0 by a roll call vote. The meeting was recessed at 8:31 p.m. and will continue on from the same point in the agenda.

Supervisor Shaw reconvened the meeting at 6:00 p.m. on January 27, 2021

PRESENT: Jim O'Rourke, Terry Lautner, Dave Darga, Deborah Allen, Connie Preston, Chris Mikowski, and Jeff Shaw, all participating from Elmwood Township, Leelanau County, Michigan
ABSENT: None

STR Ordinance Discussion

The Board continued the discussion of the STR Ordinance.

MOTION BY CLERK PRESTON, SECONDED BY TRUSTEE O'ROURKE TO ADD SINGLE FAMILY IN FRONT OF DWELLING IN THE STR DEFINITION AND TO TASK TH PLANNER

WITH BRINGING BACK LANGUAGE TO MAKE THOSE PREVIOUSLY OPERATING A LEGAL NONCOMFORMING USE, REMOVE P+ FROM THE TABLE UNDER SECTION 5.4 AND TO CAP THE LICENSES AVAILABLE AT THE NUMBER OF THOSE PREVIOUSLY OPERATING. The motion passed 6-1 by a roll call vote with Trustee Darga voting no.

Supervisor Shaw call for a recess at 7:48 p.m.
Supervisor Shaw reconvened the meeting at 7:55 p.m.

STR Licensing Ordinance

The Board reviewed the STR licensing ordinance and requested several changes. Under definitions, clarify caretaker definition, under licensing limitations, remove the 40 since we are capping at the current number, and cap the maximum capacity of a rental at 10.

Public Comment

Joe Testa
Todd Space
Mark Breederland
Colleen Mulligan
Anna Heiges
AnneMarie Wigton
Matthew Esper
Gene Meeuwenberg
Sue Jones

Adjournment

MOTION BY TRUSTEE ALLEN, SECONDED BY TRUSTEE O'ROURKE, TO ADJOURN THE MEETING AT 8:17 P.M. The motion passed 7-0 by a roll call vote.