

Arlington Township  
**Planning Commission**  
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Bangor, Michigan 49013  
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AGENDA Wednesday, September 4th, 2024, 6:00 pm

- **CALL MEETING TO ORDER 6:01**
- **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**
- **ROLL CALL**

Bill Handlang   X   Tina Loomis   X   Ron Klein   X   Donna Bell   ABSENT   Matt  
Butler   X  

- **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**
  - **Motion to approve-Loomis, support-Klein Roll Call Approved-all**
- **APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES: 6-18-2024**
  - **Motion to approve-Klein, support-Loomis Roll Call Approved-all**
- **OPEN PUBLIC HEARING**

Rezoning request from agricultural (AG) to R-1 for parcel number 80-03-001-008-00 John & Karen Murphy 47444 Woodland Dr.  
Discussion was held including support from neighbors: Mr./Mrs. Bud Clifford, &, Mr./Mrs. Henry Oreal. The parcel was noted as a unique historical remnant from early planning to run 50<sup>th</sup> Street to South Scott Lake thus the AG designation. Because of this it was agreed that the \$700 fee should be returned to applicants.

**CLOSE PUBLIC HEARING**

Klein-motion to close public discussion, supported Loomis Vote approved by All

**BOARD DISCUSSION-was held**

Klein- *“ Motion to recommend to the Arlington Township Board of Trustees that the Application by John & Karen Murphy of 47444 Woodland Drive, Bangor to rezone parcel number 80-03-001-008-00 from AG to R1 be approved and the \$700 Application fee waived and returned to the Applicants.”*

Supported-Loomis. Roll call vote: Approved by All.

- **PUBLIC COMMENTS ON AGENDA ITEMS -opened by Chairman Butler**
  
- **MASTER PLAN UPDATE**
  - Marcy Hamilton, Southwest Michigan Planning Commission provided an update on the Master Plan and led discussion on modifications for changes and additions to the Draft Document.
  - Topics included
    - Clarification of current status of marijuana business.
    - Concern to address and change historical approval of industrialization of the Agricultural Districts.
    - The need for a hydrogeological survey to identify and protect potable underground water resources and areas to regenerate our aquifers.
    - Riparian issues and the uniqueness of the Scott Lakes area as a new zoning “riparian” of “Lakes District.”
    - Critical issues for updating the zoning map.
    - Public participation through the formation of Committees.
  - Discussion was held on first steps to encourage public participation in the new Master Plan
    - **MASTER PLAN OPEN HOUSE- PUBLIC INPUT SESSION-**
      - **OCTOBER 23, 2024 FROM 6-8 PM AT THE TOWNSHIP HALL**
    - **RESIDENTS WILL BE CONTACTED BY MAIL**
    - **DOCUMENTS WILL BE AVAILABLE ON THE TOWNSHIP WEBSITE AND AT THE TOWNSHIP HALL.**
  - **A draft of the modified Master Plan will be forthcoming.**
  
- **Resident Road Advisory Committee, Historical and Cultural Preservation Committee and Resident Advisory Committee.**
  - **Klein- Drafts for Resolutions or Ordinances to form one or more of these committees are being prepared.**
  
- **2012 Ordinance Revisions**
  - **Butler work is ongoing.**

- **Frida's acoustic outdoor music review**
  - **Butler-no complaints have been received**
  
- **PUBLIC COMMENTS ON NON-AGENDA ITEM**
  - **No comments**
  
- **ADJOURNMENT**
  - **Klein-Motion to adjourn, Butler-support. Vote Approved by All**
  - **Meeting Adjourned 7:44 pm**

Respectfully submitted,

*Ronald D Klein.*  
*ex officio, Secretary.*