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Planning Commission Meeting
April 21, 2026, at 7:00 pm
204 N. Michigan Ave., Shelby, MI, 49455

1. Meeting called to order by Planning Commission Chair, Matt Koppel, at 6:04 pm.
2. Pledge of Allegiance recited
3. Roll Call: David Sill – present, Sean Carey – present, Cathy Anderson – present, Pete Kurzer – present, Matt Koppel – present, Eli Poulin – Absent, Sara Bizon – Absent
   Public in Attendance: No public in attendance
4. Public Comment: No Public Comment (No Public in Attendance)
5. Cathy Anderson made a motion to approve minutes from the 01/13/2026 Planning Commission Meeting, support for the motion offered by Sean Carey, discussion followed, 5 ayes, 0 nays, motion carried.
6. Dave Sill made a motion to approve the agenda, support for the motion offered by Sean Carey, discussion followed, 5 ayes, 0 nays, motion carried.
7. Old Business:
   a) Hunting Cabins: Motion made by David Sill to accept the language of the Hunting Cabin Ordinance, and recommend approval to the board, support for the motion offered by Peter Kurzer, discussion followed, roll call vote; David Sill – yes, Peter Kurzer – yes, Cathy Anderson – yes, Sean Carey – yes, Matt Koppel – yes, motion carried. Absent – Eli Poulin
   b) Ag Setbacks: Sean Carey made a motion to accept the change in distance from a 100 foot setback to a 50 foot setback in the front yard, and recommend to the Township Board for approval, support for the motion offered by Pete Kurzer, discussion followed, roll call vote; Sean Carey – yes, Peter Kurzer – yes, David Sill – yes, Cathy Anderson – yes, Matt Koppel – yes, Eli Poulin – Absent, motion carried.
8. New Business:
   a) Data Centers: Peter Kurzer made a motion for a moratorium on data centers until the Township Board determines if they would like a citizens vote or to draft language with the planner and attorney, regarding an ordinance around Data Centers, support for the motion offered by David Sill, discussion followed, Peter Kurzer would like to rescind his original motion, support to rescind offered by David Sill. Amended motion; Peter Kurzer made a motion for moratorium on Data Centers until the Township Board determines course of action, support for the motion offered by Sean Carey, discussion followed, 5 ayes, 0 nays, 1 absent, motion carried.
   Peter Kurzer made a motion to recommend to the Township Board to put the issue of data centers, to a citizens vote to either allow or disallow AI data storage facilities in Shelby, Township, support for the motion offered by David Sill, discussion followed, 5 ayes, 0 nays, 1 absent, motion carried.
   b) Battery Storage: Peter Kurzer made a motion to add language to the Ordinance Section

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3.05 asking applicants to submit a detailed report from a qualified, independent, 3rd party engineer, reviewing the site plans for safety and environmental impact of compatible renewable energy facilities, support for the motion offered by David Sill, discussion followed, 5 ayes, 0 nays, 1 absent, motion carried.

c) Cathy Anderson made a motion to table New Business Item C; Farm Labor Housing until the next Planning Commission Meeting on Tuesday, August 11th, support for the motion offered by Sean Carey, discussion followed, 5 ayes, 0 nays, 1 absent, motion carried.

9. Planning Commission Comments: Matt Koppel stated that the new cell tower on 88th Ave is connected to the old tower. Workers were boring underground and when he asked why they needed to bore underground, the worker informed him that they would be linking the towers together to work as one. David Sill, this makes a point that the second tower was not needed if they are now both operating as one.
10. Public Comment: No public comment.
11. Meeting adjourned at 8:55 pm by Chair, Matt Koppel.

Respectfully submitted by,

Beth Schultz

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Recording Secretary