

Attending: Chair, Hannah Regenscheid; Commissioner(s), Jeff Davis, Mary Lundell and Cheryle Peters; Dave Lorentz and Wade Gobin.

Pledge of Allegiance: Chair, Hannah Regenscheid, called the meeting to order; the pledge of allegiance was recited.

Agenda: The agenda was reviewed. Mr. Wade Gobin was added to the agenda.

Approval of Minutes from April 8th, 2025: Time was dedicated to review the April 8th, 2025 meeting minutes; Mary Lundell made a motion to approve the April meeting minutes with one edit. Jeff Davis seconded the motion. The motion passed 4/0.

Public to Speak:

Zoning Requests:

1. Mairi Doerr, 29555 23rd Avenue Way, requested a review of her proposal to construct a privacy fence relative to the current Stanton Township Planning and Zoning Ordinance controls. Cheryle Peters made the request on Ms. Doerr's behalf.
2. Michael Traynor, 5786 331st Street, is requesting a Variance to allow the construction of a 26x30x9 garage on Parcel # 411600300 in Section 36. The property is located in the Oxford Hills subdivision. The proposal would allow a 5 foot setback on the east side property line, per the site plan provided.
3. Steve Ripley, requested a Zoning Certificate approving the construction of a 12x14 attached screened porch, on behalf of his clients Brian and Heidi Lund, 330925 57th Avenue, in the Oxford Hills subdivision. The project would replace a free standing, existing deck. New footings would be part of the project. Jeff Davis made a recommendation, to the Town Board, for approval of the request as it had been stated. Mary Lundell seconded the motion. The motion passed 4/0. Mr. Ripley was advised to attend the Town Board meeting for a review, May 20th.
4. Wade Gobin, 31130 Oxford Mill Road, requested a Zoning Certificate approving the construction of a 32x32 detached garage. Parcel # 411500500 is part of the Woodland Heights subdivision, 1.68 acre. Hannah Regenscheid made a motion to recommend, to the Town Board, approval of the request as it had been presented. Jeff Davis seconded the motion; the motion passed 4/0. Mr. Grobin was advised to attend the Town Board meeting for a review, May 20th.

Public Hearing 7:15

Chair Regenscheid suspended the Regularly Scheduled Planning Commission meeting opening the Public Hearing portion. She read aloud the publication from the Cannon Falls Beacon. Ms. Doerr was unable to attend the hearing due to a previous commitment; no property owners contiguous to the residence attended the hearing.

Mairi Doerr, 29555 23rd Avenue Way, is requesting a Variance to construct a privacy fence relative to the current Stanton Township Planning and Zoning Ordinance controls. Ms. Doerr is requesting a Variance approving the construction of a privacy fence using a mixed height design, with a maximum height of 6 feet.

Cheryle Peters made the request on her behalf, per the site plan provided. Parcel #411810040 is part of the Lake Byllesby West Second Plat.

The proposed fencing at 6 feet high is app. 118 feet along the SE property line; and a 90 degree right angle on the NW end of the property, app. 30 feet in each direction, per the submitted site plan. A four foot fence with a gate is proposed for the NE end of the property, per the site plan provided. Right of Way setbacks would be conforming and are currently surveyor marked.

Three calls went out inviting questions or comments from the public; Cheryle noted that the Ordinance language puts the 6 foot provision on the lake side of the property, creating an anomaly for lake lots. The public hearing portion was closed, resuming the Regularly Scheduled Planning Commission meeting. Some discussion ensued.

Hannah Regenscheid made a motion to recommend, to the Town Board, approval for the 6 foot high fence along the SE property line; Mary Lundell recommended, to the Town Board, that the NW property line remain at the 4 feet height. Jeff Davis seconded the motion. The motion passed 4/0.

Ms. Doerr may or may not be able to attend the Town Board meeting on May 20th.

Public Hearing 7:30

Chair Regenscheid suspended the Regularly Scheduled Planning Commission meeting opening the Public Hearing portion. She read aloud the publication from the Cannon Falls Beacon. Mike and Linda Traynor were invited to the podium to describe their request.

Michael Traynor, 5786 331st Street, is requesting a Variance approving the construction of a detached 26x30x9 garage on Parcel # 411600300 in Section 36. The property is located in the Oxford Hills subdivision. One side setback cannot be satisfied; the proposal would allow a 5 foot setback on the east side property line, per the site plan provided. No property owners contiguous to the property attended the hearing. Three calls went out for public comment or questions directed to the Traynors.

The hearing was closed; the Planning Commission meeting resumed for discussion. Jeff Davis made a motion to recommend, to the Town Board, approval of the request as it had been presented. Cheryle Peters seconded the motion. The motion passed 3/1. Mary Lundell voted no on the grounds that the proposal did not satisfy the Stanton Township Planning and Zoning Ordinance as it is written.

Some discussion ensued regarding Goodhue County Ordinance controls. The Traynors were advised to attend the Town Board meeting for a review, May 20th.

Old Business:

New Business:

Ordinance Review: Housekeeping Review-August and September was deemed to be optional for the evening.

Reports of Meetings: Mary Lundell reported that she had attended a meeting in Cannon Falls regarding a proposed data center construction in the area of 86 and 52.

Announcements: Planning Commissioners, please complete and sign a time sheet for Planning Commission service ending May 15th, 2025.

Adjourn: Jeff Davis made a motion to adjourn. Mary Lundell seconded the motion; The motion passed 4/0. The meeting adjourned at 8:24pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Cheryle Peters
Clerk, Stanton Township

Hannah Regenscheid

Chair, Stanton Township Planning Commission