

**Special Meeting Minutes  
Charter Township of Haring Planning Commission  
Tuesday, January 21, 2025, 6:00 PM  
515 Bell Avenue, Cadillac MI 49601**


- 1) **Call to Order:** Swiger called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm.
- 2) **Roll Call:** Hill, Mackie, Baldwin, and Swiger were present. Sharp was absent. **Staff Present:** Green
- 3) **Pledge of Allegiance**
- 4) **Public Comment #1:** *[none]*
- 5) **Approval of the Agenda:** Motion was made by Mackie, with support by Hill, to approve the agenda as presented. The motion carried with all in favor.
- 6) **Election of Officers:** Motion was made by Baldwin, with support by Mackie, to re-elect all officers from 2025. The motion carried by a 4-0 roll call vote.
- 7) **Approval of December 10, 2024 Meeting Minutes:** Motion was made by Baldwin, with support by Mackie to approve the December 10, 2024 Minutes as presented. The motion carried with all in favor.
- 8) **Scheduled Public Hearings:**
  - a) **Cheryl Gilbert & Kevin Cary – Request to rezone portions of Parcel No. 2209-24-4302, 2209-24-4201, 2209-24-4202, & 2209-24-4204 from Forest Recreational to Agricultural.**
    - i) **Open Public Hearing and present proposed amendment:** Swiger opened the public hearing at 6:05 pm. Green gave a brief presentation of the request. A staff report was provided to the members. The applicant was not at the meeting.
    - ii) **Acknowledgement of comments received prior to public hearing:** No written comments were received prior to the hearing.
    - iii) **Public Comments:**
      - (1) Kirk Soule, who lives west of the subject property, had questions as to the intended use and layout of the property.
    - iv) **Close Public Hearing for Commissioner Discussion:** Swiger closed the public hearing at 6:16 pm. Swiger stated that he would like more information from the applicant before acting. Green cautioned that the area north of the Clam River is only accessible by a seasonal road.
    - v) **Consider recommendation to approve or deny proposed Amendment:** Motion was made by Baldwin, with support by Mackie, to table the request to the February 2025 meeting. The motion carried by a 4-0 roll call vote.
  - b) **Special Use Request #2025-01 – Jonathan & Alexander Greer. Request for a special use permit to establish a carry-out restaurant in the Commercial-Goode Edition zoning district.**
    - i) **Present Application for Proposed Site Plan/Special Use Permit:** Green gave a brief presentation of the request and explained that the restaurant would replace a recently closed

barber shop. A staff report was provided to the members. The applicant was not at the meeting.

- ii) **Site Plan Review – Review of Site Plan Checklist:** Green acknowledged that the Site Plan did not meet the requirements but was an existing site. Green was hoping the applicant would be there to answer questions in lieu of providing a complete site plan. The Planning Commission did not take action on the site plan review.
  - iii) **Open Public Hearing for Special Use Permit:** Swiger opened the public hearing at 6:40 pm.
  - iv) **Acknowledge Any Written Comments Received:** None received prior to the hearing.
  - v) **Receive Public Comments:**
    - (1) Carol Proctor, Bricker Street, stated that she lives across the street from the subject property. She had questions related to traffic, garbage, and hours.
  - vi) **Close Public Hearing for Planning Commission Discussion – Review of Special Use Permit Checklist:** Swiger closed the public hearing at 7:08 pm. Swiger and other members agreed that more information should be gathered from the applicant before a decision is made on the request.
  - vii) **Consider Motion for Approval, Conditional Approval, or Denial of Special Use Permit:** Motion was made by Baldwin, with support by Hill, to table the request to the February 2025 meeting. The motion carried by a 4-0 roll call vote.
- 9) **Report of the Township Board Representative:** Baldwin gave an update on actions taken by the Township Board at their January 13, 2025 Meeting.
- 10) **Report of the Zoning Board of Appeals Representative:** Green had nothing new to report.
- 11) **Report of Planning Consultant or Zoning Administrator:** Green provided a written report of actions taken in December 2024.
- 12) **New Business:** *[none]*
- 13) **Old Business:** *[none]*
- 14) **Correspondence Received:** *[none]*
- 15) **Public Comment #2/Planning Commission Member Comments:** *[none]*
- 16) **Adjournment:** Motion was made by Baldwin, with support by Mackie, to adjourn the meeting at 7:16 pm. The motion carried with all in favor.

Respectfully Submitted by:

Michael Green, Zoning Administrator

  
Susan Baldwin, Secretary