

Bainbridge Township

Planning Commission Meeting Minutes

July 20, 2026

The meeting was called to order by Chairman, Larry Burghdoff, at Bainbridge Township Hall, 7315 Territorial Rd, Watervliet, Michigan 49098 at 7:00 pm.

ROLL CALL

Present: Larry Burghdoff, Chad Yetzke, Ron Bjes, Jlm Doroh, Don Baiers, Melissa Morlock, Scott Buschke

Absent: Melissa Morlock

Guest: James Droskie

Pledge of Allegiance

PUBLIC COMMENT: OPENED: 7:01 CLOSED: 7:02

No Public Comments

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Corrections or additions: Under New business correct "202" to "2026"

Motion to approve by: Chad Yetzke Support: Scott Buschke Voice vote: Unanimous, passed

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

Corrections or additions: Added Pledge of Allegiance , reversed order of New Business

Motion to approve by: Scott Buschke Support: Chad Yetzke Voice vote: Unanimous, passed

New Business

Galbraith Hardship Application:

No representative for the applicant attended.

Chair reviewed the application with the board. During discussion it was noted that no place in our ordinances do we allow an RV to be used as an ADU. The hardship application is in reference to a Mobile Home, which is built and can be inspected to standards different from and RV is built to. There is no criteria for inspection to insure the safety and health of the occupants. If the township approves such a request, we would be in conflict with state statute MCL 257.49a which specifically describes RV as temporary living quarters.

Motion to table the application pending further input from applicant by: Chad Yetzke Support: Scott Buschke
Voice vote: Unanimous, passed,

Data Center Ordinance:

Reviewed the sample ordinances acquired by Chad Yetzke and Larry Burghdoff. Discussed various good points of several of the ordinances and came to the conclusion that we will review numerous ordinances and take what we like from each to create our own. Chad Yetzke will compile the ordinances with assistance from Larry Burghdoff and distribute the compilation to the committee for review and comment. We will pursue the finished product at the next meeting.

Action: Chad Yetzke and Larry Burghdoff to compile best selections of the multiple ordinances and distribute to the committee for comments

CORRESPONDENCE: None

ADJOURN: Motion by: Scott Buschke Support: Chad Yetzke Voice vote: Unanimous, Adjourned 7:34 PM

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Larry Burghdoff".

Larry Burghdoff

Chairman

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