## PIERSON TOWNSHIP

## Community & Economic Growth Committee Meeting Minutes

21156 W. Cannonsville Rd, Pierson, MI 49339 December 3, 2020 at 3:00 pm (Zoom)

Revised MDHHS Emergency Order Under MCL 333.2253 – "Gathering Prohibition and Face Covering Order," effective Oct. 9, 2020 states due to the COVID-19 they are ordering limits on attendance at non-residential venues. Indoor gatherings of more than 10 and up to 500 people occurring at a non-residential venue are permitted only to the extent that the organizers and venue without fixed seating to limit attendance to 20 persons per 1,000 square feet in each occupied room and require that each person at the gathering wear a face covering. Outdoor gatherings of more than 100 and up to 1,000 persons occurring at a non-residential venue without fixed stating to limit attendance to 30 persons per 1,000 square feet including within any distinct area within the event space, and require that each person at the gathering wear a face covering. "Gathering" means any occurrence where two or more persons from more than one household are present in a shared space. Except for incidental gatherings in a shared space, all gatherings must include 6 feet of social distance between households.

- I. Call to Order: 3:06 pm
  - a. Pledge of Allegiance
  - b. Roll Call present: Lecceadone, Burkholder, Schroeder (Social Distancing)

Zoom: Becker-Fountain, Coffin Absent: Rockburn

II. Approval of Meeting Agenda.

Motion: Coffin 2nd: Becker-Fountain Aye: AllNay: None

III. Approval of October 15, 2020 Meeting Minutes.

Motion: Becker-Fountain 2nd: Lecceadone Aye: AllNay: None

- IV. Public Comments
- V. Recommend for Township Board Approval:
  - a. New Committee Member(s)/Vacancy: Recommend Merry Beth Duffy to the Township Board
  - b. 2021 Meeting Schedule: Second Thursday, starting in February at 3:00 pm: February 11, March 11, April 8, May 13, June 10, July 8, August 12, Sept. 9, October 14 \* additional meetings may be added/(No meeting in January 2021).

Motion: Schroeder 2nd: Lecceadone Aye: AllNay: None

- VI. Open Items:
  - a. Giving Tree 2020
    - i. **40 Tags** were taken for gift purchases from our Pierson Community!
    - ii. Committee members will offer to be volunteers to assist at TC/Pick-Ups: Burkholder, Schroeder, Leccedone, Becker-Fountain and Duffy
    - iii. Thank-you will be posted on Facebook
  - b. **Zoning** (Orvin Moore absent/Dan Buvze, Supervisor gave update)
    - i. Clean-Up Ordinance Violations Update
    - ii. Village of Pierson has been reached out (Supervisor Buyze) for ordinance enforcement under the County Ordinances/Sheriff and discussion about an offer to share our zoning enforcement officer.
  - c. Clean-Up Projects (2021) Start planning early/Goal: Spring Break
    - i. Tire Drive Rockburn- grant watching
  - d. Community Garden (2020-2021)
    - i. Grass clippings/leaves still welcome (from committee), next year try to coordinate with cemetery clean-up of leaves.

- ii. Walking Trail Dog bags, but not dog park/liability (get conversation with insurance agent going see below).
- iii. Inquire with the local concrete company (High Grade Materials Co) to see if they have concrete blocks for donation to the community garden for temporary/initial use/garden beds. Tires for kid flower/growing beds (Roger).
- iv. Community Garden to become a Parks & Recreation project (?) with CE&G Assistance.
- e. **Water-ways/Mapping (2021)** Kathi to let the committee know when might be a good time to discuss with Schools with current COVID shut-downs, this is not the time to start discussions.
- f. Farmer's Market (2021) Revamp ie. Pierson Township Farm & Artisan Market
  - i. Calendar for events/vendors: Invite Vendors for April 8, 2020 Summer Planning.
    - 1. Food Trucks
    - 2. Boosters/TC Events
    - 3. Parks & Recreation Fundraising Booth
  - ii. New Logo/Signs
- g. Ideas from Members
  - i. Lights (donations) for the large pine tree at the township, have a Tree-Lighting event to kick-off Giving Tree tags (Saturday, December 4, 2021) Get with school to have tags in that time-frame.
  - ii. Committee members to volunteer time/skills to the school/teachers/Sherri during this difficult time. Volunteer to help Sherri with Giving Tree next year.
  - iii. Classes at Township Hall Gardening, exercise, knitting, etc. **Invite Township Insurance agent** Megan Roscam to a meeting to discuss ideas (classes, activities, etc.) for liability concerns/waivers.
- VII. Public Comments
- VIII. Next Meeting: February 11, 2021
  - IX. Adjournment: 4:18 pm

Motion: Coffin 2nd: Lecceadone Aye: AllNay: None