

**Standish Township Planning Commission Meeting
April 7, 2025 6:30 PM
Standish Township Hall 4997 Arenac State Road.
Standish MI 48658**

CALL TO ORDER:

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 pm

ROLL CALL

Present: Buttrick, Castle, Trombley, Stukel, Schwab

THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE WAS SAID IN UNISON.

Approval of Agenda: A motion was made to approve the agenda as presented.

Stukel made the motion, seconded by Buttrick

Roll call: Castle-yes, Schwab-yes, Trombley-yes, Buttrick-yes, Stukel-yes.

Motion carried.

New Business:

2025 Regular Planning Meeting Schedule Resolution 2025P-01 was adopted. A motion was made by Stukel and seconded by Schwab.

Meeting dates are June 3rd, 2025, 6:30 pm

August 5th, 2025, 6:30 pm

October 7th, 2025, 6.30 pm

Roll call vote:

Castle-yes Buttrick-yes Schwab-yes Stukel-yes Trombley-yes.

Resolution 2025P-01 was adopted.

Discuss the Gushow special-use permit. Anthony Gushow and Sons plan to extract sand from the property on the east side of Richardson Road between Worth and Meyette Roads.

Mr. Gushow stated there would be a gate at the entrance of the property. He also mentioned that a series of trail cameras would be installed to monitor the site. A more detailed site plan was discussed to include the restoration of the land, the time frame of the project, and extraction rates.

A motion was made by Stukel and seconded by Schwab to open the public hearing, with 5 ayes and 0 nays.

Judy Valley had a question about the direction the drain pipe would lie. Mr Gushon explained that the pipe would lie east and west. Mrs. Valley had concerns over past washouts and showed pictures of road washouts from past flooding.

Stukel moved to close the public hearing, and Schwab seconded it. A voice vote was called. There were 5 ayes and 0 nays. The motion carried. The public hearing closed.

The special use permit was discussed, and the board recommended the approval of the special use permit (with conditions). A motion was made by Castle to approve the special use permit and seconded by Stukel. The conditions/ requirements following ordinance 6.12.1

Conditions are as follows:

-A basic plan for extraction rates.

-A certified survey drawing.

-An annual report of operations.

-Clarification on how they would address drainage issues and mitigate any drainage issues. A second voice vote was called with 5 ayes and 0 nays. The motion carried

Tom Porter inquired about a special use permit for a day/ weekend camp on his property. The board liked the idea and discussed his big improvements to the property. The board told Mr. Porter that the first step would be to see if the property could be rezoned. Mr. Porter passed out a copy of Arenac County 2021-2025, which cited all the opportunities to enjoy the local area.

Public comment was allowed, and many people liked the idea.

Announcements: Need 1 Zoning Board of Appeals member and up to 3 alternates.

Castle made a motion to adjourn the meeting and seconded it to Schwab. A voice vote was taken; there were 5 ayes and 0 nays.

Meeting adjourned at 7:11 pm

Minutes recorded by Amy Buttrick