

**KEELER TOWNSHIP  
PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING  
JULY 22, 2025**

**Members Present:** Rich Hutchinson, Jerry Morin, Jake Meachum, Bill Kays, Bill Zuhl, Carl Davis, Mark Pajakowski.

**Guests Present:** Zoning Administrator Ryan Laylin, Supervisor, Don Blackmond, Darren Lane, Sharon, and Bill Clupper.

The meeting called to order at 7:00 p.m. Roll call of Jake Meachum- present, Carl Davis- present, Bill Kays- present, Mark Pajakowski- present, Jerry Morin- present, Bill Zuhl- present, Rich Hutchinson- present. Chairperson Mark Pajakowski stated a quorum of seven out of seven members were present.

The meeting minutes for June 24, 2025, were read and Bill Zuhl moved to approve the minutes as presented. Jake Meachum seconded, and all were in favor.

Chairperson Mark Pajakowski presented the agenda. Rich Hutchinson moved to approve the agenda as presented. Bill Zuhl seconded, and all were in favor.

**Old Business: Tabled Wonder Woods Campground Site Plan Update- Property Owner:** TCL Management Group, LLC. **Applicant's Name:** Laurie & James Nootbaar. **Property Address:** 93283 CR 690, Dowagiac, MI 49047. **Tax ID#** 8012-032-127-10. James Nootbaar was not present representing the Wonder Woods Campground. The Planning Commission previously tabled the Wonder Woods Campground Site Plan update. The commission previously approved the site plan with the contingency to be in compliance with the sign ordinance within thirty days, quiet hours to be 10 pm – 8am, add "No overnight mooring at the township property on Big Crooked Lake, off of CR 690 or the public access site on Round Lake, off of M 152". The commission was informed that Wonder Woods was now in compliance with all contingencies. Jerry Morin moved to give final approval to the site plan. Rich Hutchinson seconded. Roll call vote of Davis- support, Zuhl- support, Kays- support, Morin- support, Jake Meachum- support, Hutchinson- support, Pajakowski- support. All were in favor and the motion carried.

**1st Order of Business: Battery Storage Ordinance Committee** The sub-committee consisting of Mark Pajakowski, Bill Zuhl and Jake Meachum working on battery storage has not advanced and are continuing to work on it.

**2nd Order of Business: Short Term Rental Ordinance Committee** The commission went over work on a Short-Term Rental Ordinance with a sub-committee consisting of Rich Hutchinson, Bill Kays, and Jerry Morin. The committee went over a preliminary ordinance. Suggestions were made. The committee would like to meet with counsel to go over the proposed ordinance and legalities. The commission will discuss their findings at the next meeting.

The floor was open to public comments at 7:39 pm. Don Blackmond asked a question. Hearing no other comments, the floor closed at 7:45 pm.

The commission entertained a motion by Jerry Morin to adjourn the meeting. Rich Hutchinson seconded, and all were in favor. The meeting adjourned at 7:45 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Angie Sexton  
Recording Secretary

Jake Meachum  
Planning Commission Secretary