

Sandstone Township Planning Commission Meeting Minutes

March 2026

- Open Meeting – 6:01pm
- Pledge of Allegiance
- Roll Call – Goodrich, Donahue, Cole, Cantrell, Crisenbery all present
- Dec Meeting Minutes Approved
- Agenda Review and Approved
- Fireboard and Township board meeting update from Cantrell
- No public comment/participation

Agenda:

Cantrell update from township board. Data center moratorium for six months is considered advisable. Role of planning commission, no planner on retainer, but contracting is allowed.

Private Road Ordinance: Draft copy shared, list of roads added to the end of the document. Number of lots per road TBD.

Master land use plan: Last completed in 2008, board to approve budget, scope, and scale. RFPs to be sent to three to five qualified planning agencies and the winning agency to be chosen by the board. The pool of agencies to be chosen and vetted by the planning commission. For a brief list of rural charter townships in the State of Michigan that have recently completed a master land use plan see reference notes at the bottom of the page.

1000 Blackman Rd: No further communication with the developing parties have occurred.

New Business:

Fee Schedule discussion: The proposed fee schedule for plan reviews and public hearings was presented in conjunction with the amendment request process, conditional use permit application process, and zoning application instructions.

Zoning Application: Reviewed in detail with significant feedback from Crisenbery.

Other items from commission members: Lengthy discussion was had regarding the zoning administrator's participation in the board meetings and planning commission meetings, and potentially compensating Crisenbery for weighing in on zoning decisions, reviewing site plans, and potentially serving as the acting zoning administrator that is more of a dedicated resource to the township.

Meeting adjourned at 7:42pm

Next meeting is April 7th