TOWNSHIP OF STRONACH
(Manistee County)
2471 Main St RR3
Manistee Michigan,49660

Planning Commission

Meeting Minutes Draft for February 10, 2026

Meeting called to order by Chairman Batzer at 7:00 p.m. with Pledge of Allegiance by all present.

Members Present: Ted Batzer, Terry Lindeman, and Dan Landis.
Members Absent: Carl Lacki and Phil Landis
Also Absent: Zoning Administrator Larry Thompson
Public Audience: None

Approved meeting agenda on motion by Terry Lindeman, 2nd by Dan Landis, all approved, motion carried.

Approved minutes for January 6, 2026 meeting with two changes on motion by Dan Landis, 2nd by Terry Lindeman, all approved, motion passed.

Communications: None of the members present had attended the Manistee County Recreation Commission meeting on February 2, 2026, so no new information in that regard.

Public Comment: None

Zoning Administrator's Report: None

Old Business:

1) No review comments on PlanCom 2013 P&R Plan to update, but coordination with county was again stressed, including a site inspection tour to be planned for late spring or early summer with invitations to county, USFS, and DNR personnel. Our focus remains on the three local sites directly under township control for which the descriptions need updates from the 2013 document.
2) PlanCom By-laws (as amended in 2017) regarding meetings and postings show no requirement to provide entire annual meeting schedule. Meeting notices filed for future reference should also note the dates they were posted at the hall, and the Secretary will address this in the PlanCom files for the last fiscal year and going forward.
3) Pending Cost Recovery Ordinance for Fire Department has no updates yet.

4) Master Plan: The Secretary has progressed but still has not completed the rewrites of the demographics and zoning texts for review, but will have them done for the next meeting.

New Business:

1) Additional constructive ideas for township improvement: None suggested at this time.

Other Business to come before the commission:

1) Upcoming meeting schedule has no election day conflicts with first Tuesday of month again until May. Meeting dates for next two months set for March 3 and April 7, 2026, on motion by Terry Lindeman and 2nd by Dan Landis, all in favor, motion carried.
2) In Elk Township on February 7, 2026, Ted Batzer attended the Little Manistee Waatershed Conservation Council (LMWCC) 2026 Summit regarding water quality that shows a concentration of E. Coli contamination concentrated near Luther, water temperature and species diversity studies that are ongoing. These represent good work, but this could be a political heads up for the township regarding the natural rivers issue that may rear its head again in 2027.

Agenda for next meeting (March 3, 2026) to include Master Plan and any feedback on P&R Plan review.

Meeting adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Daniel Landis, Secretary