Chairman Kerby called the Paw Paw Township Planning Commission meeting to order at 6:00 P.M. on October 24, 2019 at the Township Hall.

PRESENT:  Kip Kerby, Fran Sanders, James Tapper, Phillip Arbanas, Tom Palenick, Ivan Olsen, and Bill Johnson.

ABSENT: None.

ALSO PRESENT: Rebecca Harvey (Planning Consultant), Bert Gale (Zoning Administrator, and Kelly Largent (Zoning Administrator).

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA:

Motion by Tapper, supported by Sanders to approve the agenda as submitted. The motion was unanimously approved.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

September 26, 2019: Motion by Tapper, supported by Arbanas to approve the September 26, 2019 minutes as amended. The motion was unanimously approved.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None.

NEW BUSINESS: None.

OLD BUSINESS:

Master Plan Maps.

Ms. Largent discussed her concerns regarding the floodplain map.

Ms. Harvey summarized the process for the 6 maps to be included in the Master Plan. She contacted the County to determine who had produced the previous maps. The County couldn’t locate any information regarding the previous maps. The Township decided to use their engineers (F & V) to develop new maps since there was no information available for the previous maps. F & V had to generate a new base map (parcel map) and this process took longer
than expected. The PA 116 map has been more time consuming that the base map to generate.
Having said that, Ms. Harvey stated that F & V managed to provide all 6 maps for the meeting.
Ms. Largent stated she had not received the PA 116 map to print for the members. The Chairman
asked if the Planning Commission could make a motion with any noted changes. Ms. Harvey
stated yes.

The Chairman likes the idea of a motion to move the maps forward even though the PA 116 map
was not present for their review.

Changes to the primary roads map are as follows: All primary roads need to be identified.

The primary roads map and floodplain map need to be noted in any motion.

Palenick noted that the Planning Commission needs to discuss Multifamily as identified on the
future land use map and maybe move this North of the Village.

The Planning Commission asked about the future land use map and the 6 maps discussed tonight.
Ms. Harvey stated that the future land use map is the only map that represents the vision of land
use in the future for the Township. The other 6 maps are factual maps. Ms. Harvey stated that
the Planning Commission had made a conscience effort to not change the future land use map
when it undertook the Master Plan rewrite. But the future land use map can be changed by the
Planning Commission at any time.

Motion by Johnson, supported by Olsen to recommend approval of the maps with the following
changes:

1. Change threemile lake to three mile lake on all the maps.
2. Primary Roads map to include the missing identifiers for CR671, M-40, CR665,
   CR358/68th, and 70th/CR358.

The motion was unanimously approved.

The Planning Commission asked about the text amendment for family accessory housing. Ms.
Harvey asked if this was the same information for the Village of Paw Paw’s accessory dwelling
unit. Sanders stated it was information that she had received at a previous meeting. Ms. Largent
asked for a copy in order to include it in the next meeting packet.

Ms. Harvey was asked to provide the Planning Commission the sample information used by the
Village to develop their accessory dwelling unit text.

OTHER BUSINESS:

Next meeting is Nov 21.

ADDITIONAL COMMENT: None.

ADJOURNMENT:
Motion by Tapper, supported by Olsen to adjourn the meeting at 6:49 PM. The motion was unanimously approved.

Respectfully submitted,
Kelly Largent
Zoning Administrator