Cross Village Planning Commission Meeting Minutes

Date: August 17, 2026
Time: 1:00 pm to 2:19 pm
Location: Cross Village Community Center

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at **1:00 pm**.

2. Members Present

- **In Person:** Linda Rosalik, Torie Larabell, Donna Wood, Mary Rappin, Debbie Hindle, Tammy Doernenburgh, Chris Smolak.
- **Absent:** Edy Stoughton.

3. Approval of the Agenda

Motion to approve the agenda. All members present approved the agenda.

4. Approval of the Previous Minutes

Motion to approve the previous meeting minutes. All members present approved the minutes.

5. Cross Village Township Master Plan – Progress Report

The Planning Commission continued reviewing and developing sections of the Master Plan.

Linda discussed adding agricultural and agritourism locations to township mapping, including farm stands and other agricultural destinations.

Housing data was also discussed, including identifying year-round versus seasonal residences and gathering additional information that may be useful for the housing section.

Sections prepared by Mary Rappin, Debbie Hindle and Chris Smolak have been reviewed. Linda will continue working on formatting and consistency throughout the draft.

The Commission also discussed placement of information related to the Dark Sky Park and cemeteries. Linda added a cemetery section and will obtain additional location information for the four identified cemeteries.

6. Short-Term Rentals

The Commission discussed whether the Master Plan should include a recommendation related to short-term rental policy. A draft recommendation may be incorporated into the plan for future consideration by the Township Board.

7. Housing and Community Grants

Tammy shared information regarding possible housing-related grant opportunities. Mary suggested contacting Sara Ford regarding possible funding. Linda and Torie will follow up on available opportunities.

Discussion of emergency preparedness was moved to the September meeting.

8. Land Use and Historic Preservation

Tammy provided updated land-use information to help improve consistency between township zoning, county information and the Future Land Use Map.

The Commission also discussed strengthening the Master Plan's treatment of local history, Native American history and historic preservation. Additional tribal input was identified as important to the planning process. Tammy will share updated tribal contact information with the group.

Historic preservation of the Town Hall and other community resources was also discussed as a potential priority within the Master Plan.

9. Follow Up

Linda will continue formatting and organizing the Master Plan draft and gather cemetery information. Tammy will continue work related to land-use mapping and tribal contacts. Linda and Torie will follow up on possible housing grant opportunities. Edy Stoughton will follow up on her Master Plan section.

10. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at **2:19 pm**.

Planning Commission Members

- **Linda Rosalik**
- **Chris Smolak**
- **Mary Rapin**
- **Debbie Hindle**
- **Edy Stoughton**
- **Donna Wood**
- **Tori Larabell**
- **Emily Proctor**
- **Tammy Doernenburgh**