Burt Township Planning Commission

Meeting Minutes
March 3, 2022
6:30 P.M.
Community Center – Brazel Street
Grand Marais, MI 49839

- 1. Meeting called to order by Laurence Shaffer at 6:35 p.m.
- 2. Roll Call taken. In attendance was Laurence Shaffer, Lou Lundquist, Phil Bontrager, Jenny Irvine. Participating by Zoom was Jeff Cuthbertson. Nancy Griswold and Christine Lundquist notified the Commission of their inability to attend. Julia Cogger, CUPPAD Planner attended by Zoom.
- 3. Julia Cogger took the Commission through the survey results providing details and texture to the survey results. Surveys are still be collected and tabulated. The response rate has been remarkably high. Some noteworthy details of the survey included the age of the community (73% over 60 years), percentage of retirees who live full or part time in Burt Township (54%), and the part time nature of many residents of Burt (64% live only part of the year in Burt). The poverty rate and median income in Burt Township of 23.2% and \$27,153 was considered as a significant factor in the community. Commission members discussed the need to tabulate the data to determine if responses might correlate to full or part time resident status. Laurence Shaffer said that he would discuss with Julia Cogger to see if that information is attainable. The survey report will be completed by the next meeting of the Planning Commission scheduled for March 31, 2022 at 6:30 p.m. At the next meeting of the Planning Commission, the Commission wishes to hear the updated survey results and tabulations. It also wishes to determine a list of topics gleaned from the survey that it wishes

to explore in more detail with the community through forums or community meetings.

4. The meeting adjourned at 8:20 p.m.