

HEATH TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION
December 2025

The Heath Township Planning Commission met on Thursday, December 11, 2025 at 7:00 p.m. at the Township Hall.

Members Present: Don Wickstra
 Michael Phillips
 Hilda Boerman
 Randy Poll
 Michael Stork

Also present was Greg Ransford, Planner and Lori Castello from PCI.

The meeting was called to order by Wickstra. A motion from Boerman supported by Phillips to approve the minutes from the September 25, 2025 meeting. Vote taken and unanimously approved.

ITEM 1

SUP for Michael and Sharon Davis at 3041 Forest View Dr., parcel 03-09-060-004-00 to construct an accessory building within the front yard. Wickstra opened the floor for public comment. Michael discussed the size of the building he would like to build. Michael confirmed that he would be using material on the outside of the building that would be conforming to his house and the neighborhood. Wickstra closed the floor. The Board discussed the location of the barn and explained the reason for the SUP and why they add conditions to the approval process at times. Motion from Poll with support from Boerman to approve the SUP based on the requirements in Section 16.09 and Section 17.03 of the Heath Township Ordinance being met as well as requiring wainscoting and shutters on the portion of the barn facing the road. Vote taken. 4-1. Motion carried.

ITEM 2

Request from Chad VanSoelen for conceptual review and recommendation of approval of "Phase 111 Riverwalk Meadows". Wickstra opened the floor for public comment. Chad explained the plans for this phase would be single family homes with their own septic and wells for each home. The plan also included the pond between the homes. Chad took questions from the public. Wickstra closed the floor. The Board questioned Chad on the private drive to the houses and confirmed that all houses would be off the private drive and none of them from 134th Ave. The drive would also not be made to county specs. The pond will remain under 5 acres and around 20 feet deep. The board discussed the barns on each lot and allowing the barns to have a set back of 15 feet from side lot instead of the 20 feet. The final construction plans to be presented to the Board will need landscaping, lighting and the correct zoning codes on it. Motion from Phillips with support from Stork to approve the conceptual drawing as presented. Vote taken. 5-0. Motion carried.

ITEM 3

Greg, the planner, presented the wording for a new ordinance for shipping containers. The Board asked to strike "as permanent or temporary Accessory Buildings" from point 7. The Board approved the ordinance wording after the strike from 7. Greg will schedule a public hearing to adopt this ordinance.

ITEM 4

No new business.

Next meeting will be March 26, 2026. Officers will be elected at this time.

Motion by Phillips with support from Stork and unanimously approved to adjourn the meeting at 8:00 pm.

Minutes submitted by Clerk Missy Harvey