



Conway Township Planning Commission Meeting Minutes
 Monday, February 9, 2026 | 7:00pm EST
 Conway Township Hall | 8015 N. Fowlerville Road, Fowlerville, MI 48836

Agenda	Items Discussed	Actions to be Taken
Attendees	PC Members Present: Lucas Curd- Chair, George Pushies, Shawn Morrison, Steve Weiss- Vice Chair, Kayla Poissant- Secretary ABSENT: Mike Stock, Kelly Ralko Zoning Administrator: Russ Cesarz (ABSENT) Livingston County Planning Commissioner: Dennis Bowdoin Township Planner- Liz Hart- McKenna (ABSENT), Jake VanBoxel Township Attorney- Michael Homier (ABSENT), Keith Brown	None
Call to Order/Pledge	Chair, L. Curd, called the Conway Township Planning Commission meeting to order at 7:00pm and led the Pledge of Allegiance.	None
Approval of Agenda	Motion to accept the meeting agenda as presented for 2/9/2026. Motion by S. Weiss. Support S. Morrison. Motion Approved.	Motion Approved
Approval of January 2026 Minutes	Motion to accept meeting minutes from January 2026. Motion by L. Curd. Support by S. Weiss. Motion Approved.	Motion Approved
Call to the Public	None at this time.	None
Communications	a. Zoning Administrator Report: ZA not present at the PC meeting. No report sent. b. Board Ex-Officio Report: L. Curd stated that the minutes from the Board Meeting were sent out. G. Pushies confirmed that the minutes summed up the meeting.	None None

	c. Livingston County Planning Commission Report: D. Bowdoin asked whether the PC received sample ordinances from Data Centers, which was confirmed.	None
Old Business	a. Data Center and Bitcoin Mining Center Regulatory Ordinance – Review L. Curd introduced J. VanBoxel from McKenna. J VanBoxel had reviewed the ordinance. G. Pushies asked if K. Brown drafted the ordinance, to which he replied that the team drafted it. G. Pushies asked if K. Brown had reviewed the Saline judgement, to which he replied that he did. G. Pushies asked if there was anything in the judgement worth incorporating in the proposed ordinance. K. Brown replied that Saline did not have an ordinance at the time and was not a permitted use by special land use in the township. He believes that they were basically bullied with an exclusionary zoning lawsuit, and that the new team that came in advised them that they would lose. G. Pushies asked if he were to contact that counsel, would they have the same opinion. K. Brown replied that they helped draft the consent agreement, so he assumed that they would. G. Pushies brought up wastewater treatment to be addressed in the proposed ordinance. K. Brown stated that Conway's proposed ordinance came out before the consent judgement, so that things like wastewater or closed loop water systems could be added to this ordinance. G. Pushies stated that everyone should review the consent judgement, and it is public information. S. Morrison asked about how much wastewater could be produced from a data center. G. Pushies stated that he was only bringing it up due to it being in the consent judgement. K. Poissant asked that after reviewing the different information (Saline judgement, cooling including closed loop, wastewater, and county samples), if there were other recommendations to add into the draft. K. Brown brought up location. K. Poissant stated that one of her concerns was the amount of water usage the facility would need in regard to the cooling process, and that she was concerned about wells and water supply in the Township. She asked if there were protections in the ordinance for homeowners. K. Brown stated that the state has ordinances around these types of concerns. S. Weiss stated the proposed Howell data center had mentioned that if a well were to go dry, the company was going to mitigate that by drilling a new well, but it	None

	was not a closed loop system. G. Pushies asked D. Bowdoin if he had anything to add. D. Bowdoin brought up refrigerant cooling as opposed to water cooling, which he stated would use a lot more power running the refrigerators to cool the facility. He also mentioned reviewing the infrastructure/power usage and how/who would be paying for it. D. Bowdoin stated that there was a class coming up on 2/12/26 regarding data centers, and that there was a smaller data center going in in Washington Township that is only 328 acres. G. Pushies brought up forced cold air cooling as an option. K. Brown brought up that in the Saline judgement, there was a provision that if a well dried up that the developer would pay to fix it. K. Brown also brought up that Wolverine in Kent County had to put in city water for all effect homes, which he clarified that it was in a federal judgement. K. Poissant asked whether the PC should come back next month after reviewing all of this added information. Since the PC was reviewing this topic, it will be on next month's agenda for continued review. b. Essential Services Ordinance – Review – Included Updated Conway Township-Ordinance & version to Cohoctah from ITC (Clean) It was clarified that there were two versions of the proposed ordinance amendment. One was presented to Cohoctah with minor changes, and one was where ITC made a lot of changes. K. Brown stated that the proposed ordinance is unique when doing research for it, as there was not anything comparable as far as regulation goes. This is why they reached out to ITC to see their opinion on the ordinance. K. Brown confirmed that ITC did not cite any regulations to explain their changes. J. VanBoxel did not have any comments at this time. K. Poissant stated that she did not have any concerns or questions at this time. S. Weiss stated that he thinks we should look more into the ordinance before proceeding. The PC discussed setting up Public Hearings.	None
New Business	a. Moratorium Ordinance – Discussion/review K. Poissant asked about the process with this ordinance. She asked how the Township Board would know when they needed to review a proposed moratorium from the PC. K. Brown stated that some Townships have added a second paragraph to include that the PC can petition the	

	Township Board for a moratorium for certain reasons. K. Brown went through the two different ways Townships can impose moratoriums. K. Brown also stated that the PC can write a letter to the Township Board. Motion to set up Public Hearings for discussion and public input for Data Center and Bitcoin Mining Center Regulatory Ordinance, Essential Services Ordinance Amendment, and the Moratorium Ordinance for March 9th, 2026 at 7pm. Motion by L. Curd. Support by S. Weiss. Motion Approved. b. PC By-Law Discussion K. Poissant stated that the duties in the bylaws have changed, and that the PC should review and update the bylaws to the way things are done now. She mentioned responsibilities, duties, and conflict of interest sections. K. Poissant stated that it was brought up that she is the one creating the LCPC packets, but before it was the planner or the attorney completing it and it is not listed in the bylaws as a duty of the secretary. L. Curd asked if K. Poissant wanted that duty. K. Poissant stated that she is doing a lot with all the minutes, research, preparing for meetings, etc. She stated that she has also had issues with emails, having to call to confirm that things were received as well. She stated that this is all in addition to the work she is already having to complete. K. Brown stated that their firm does not typically complete these types of packets, and that in other Townships they have seen Supervisor or the Clerk do them. J. VanBoxel agrees, and he did not think it was a great use of Township funds to outsource. K. Poissant described what goes into the LCPC packet. S. Morrison asked if K. Poissant was getting paid to put the packet together. K. Poissant stated no. S. Morrison stated that he did not think the PC should expect it to be done without pay. It was clarified that K. Poissant only took this over since the previous attorney left the Township, and that it takes her about 30 minutes to an hour, and then if any amendments are needed that would be additional time. Motion to move to ask the Township Board for guidance regarding who shall communicate with the LCPC, and if it is a member of the PC, will the Board authorize payment for that responsibility. Motion by K. Poissant. Support by S. Weiss. Discussion- It was addressed that K. Poissant would send this motion as	Motion Approved Motion Approved
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	an email to the entire Township Board. Motion Approved. PC discussion on the bylaws. K. Poissant asked about putting an NDAs being in the conflict-of-interest section. G. Pushies stated that he thought it would be a legal issue. K. Brown said that it would need to be limited but could be done. Motion to have Foster & Swift write language into the PC Bylaws requiring any PC member that signs an NDA to reveal any NDA signed and recuse themselves from voting. Motion by S. Weiss. Support by S. Morrison Motion Approved. Motion to request that the Township Attorney to review the NDA motion for constitutionality issues and report back to the PC. Motion by G. Pushies. Supported by S. Weiss. Motion Approved. c. New section – Next Month’s Step List – Discuss K. Poissant stated that she believes that the PC has not been great at following up on past meetings, motions, ideas, etc. in future meetings. She explained that she wanted to add a section into the minutes or do something to help the PC stay organized and keep on track of things they need to review. K. Brown brought up possibly creating a summary of the minutes. It was discussed that K. Poissant could create a summary to organize the PC’s to-do list.	Motion Approved Motion Approved
Commission Discussion	S. Morrison asked if the ZA will not be here at the meetings, so that his report be at least sent out for review. K. Poissant added that if the PC would need him in attendance, he would need to be notified in time. It was discussed that when the PC packet goes out, the ZA could be notified at that time that he would need to be in attendance. It was discussed that the ZA report will get into the PC packet.	None
Last Call to the Public	S. Porter asked if the PC was aware that the PC packet was not upload to the website. L. Curd stated no, and that he submitted the packet last Tuesday. There was a question about the water coming out of the data centers, and if it was contaminated. Another public	None

	member stated that it will be contaminated as it goes through the pipes and equipment picking up particles. M. Brown asked whether a moratorium needed to be implemented sooner rather than later, and with the NDAs, if it could be done with a policy or ordinance. K. Brown stated that it was possible, and that they could discuss it further.	
Adjournment	Motion to adjourn at 8:36pm. Motion by G. Pushies. Support by S. Morrison. Motion Approved.	Motion Approved

Respectfully Submitted:

Approved:

Kayla Poissant

Kayla Poissant,
PC Secretary

Lucas Curd,
PC Chair