

**CLEON TOWNSHIP
PLANNING COMMISSION MINUTES
JUNE 3RD 2026**

CALL TO ORDER:

Meeting was called to order at 6:30 by Chairperson Jeff Stanton

ROLL CALL:

Terri Milarch, Jeff Stanton, Todd Humphrey, Chris Herrst Absent Paul Beaudrie

GUESTS:

Evelyn Hawkins, Ashley Lindstrom, Barb Stanton and Mike Sacola from Networks NW

APPROVAL/AMEND AGENDA: Motion by Terri 2nd by Todd to approve the agenda (all ayes)

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Motion made by Todd 2nd by Chris to approve the meeting minutes from May 6th 2026 (all ayes)

OLD BUSINESS:

Master Plan Update, still working on it

NEW BUSINESS:

Twisted trails: we received their Campground Permit for 30 permanent sites. Also they need the electric at campsites inspected and approved before 2027 if not they could be shutdown

Data Center Moratorium: Would like Township board to do a yearly check on data centers.

ZONING ADMINISTRATION REPORT: Barb Stanton 3 Permits

Barndominion copemish area

Ag Barn for animals & equipment on Yates Rd

House and Garage in Copemish Area

Guest Mike Sacola from Networks Northwest

He did a presentation on creating child care in Manistee County, and the need for it. Explaining how someone could open a day care center with incentives like reduced or waived fees on things like permits, site plan reviews, cost to hook up utilities etc. also families will have access to affordable and reliable child care and it also benefits local businesses by helping them attract and retain skilled employees. This will also be put in the Master Plan to support economy and residents. Changes in zoning will have to be made also. If someone wants to open a daycare center there will be a public hearing held.

Motion by Todd H. 2nd by Chris H. to go ahead with adopting amendments to move forward with child care in Manistee County. (all ayes)

Ashley Stanton who owns a daycare center in Thompsonville spoke about the expense and all the steps a person would have to go through to open a day care center.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Guest brought up that Twisted Trails is getting away with too much, such as not getting permits to us on time and not following their special use permit.

MOTION TO ADJOURN:

At 7:34 by Chris 2nd by Todd

MINUTES SUBMITTED BY:

Terri Milarch, Secretary

Next meeting: August 5th 2026

No meeting in July