

**BERLIN CHARTER TOWNSHIP
MONROE COUNTY, MICHIGAN
PLANNING COMMISSION**

**REGULAR MEETING
November 17, 2025**

The Regular Meeting of the Berlin Charter Township Planning Commission was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by Chairman Tallman, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL: Present: Chairman Tallman, Vice Chairman Venier, Member Girrback, G. Masserant, and T. Friar.

ALSO PRESENT: Laura Kreps, Carlisle/Wortman Associates, Inc., Zoning Administrator, Mary Jo Gedelian, Assistant Zoning Administrator, Hillary Haywood and 34 audience member(s).

EXCUSED: Secretary A. Nordyke and Member N. Masserant

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Motion by G. Venier, supported by T. Friar to approve the November 17, 2025, agenda as presented.

AYES: All

NAYS: None

MOTION CARRIED

PUBLIC COMMENT: Chairman Tallman asked the audience if they had any questions or concerns regarding the draft ordinance on data centers. Multiple people asked where a proposed data center was going to be located. Chairman Tallman stated there has been no applicants yet and the board is wanting to be proactive, and is wanting to draft an ordinance on data centers. A real estate agent was present, and wanted to explain the pros of having a data center. He stated there will be tax revenue that would go towards the school system, parks, emergency systems, roads and the job opportunities that will be coming in (construction jobs, tech jobs, security jobs).

Audience members wanted to know if the board can change the ordinance to have stipulations that the data centers have to be so many miles away from schools and residential areas. Some audience members stated they think the draft ordinance presented is too vague. One audience member is concerned about the amount of traffic a data center will cause. Planner Kreps stated to the audience they can email or mail in their concerns and comments to the township, and she will take them into consideration when working on the draft ordinance.

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ADJOURNMENT: Motion by G. Masserant, supported by G. Venier to adjourn the meeting at 7:58 pm.

AYES: All

NAYS: None

MOTION CARRIED

Stephen Tallman, Chairman

Hillary Haywood, Acting Secretary

ATTENDANCE REPORT

Present at the captioned meeting were:

Chairman Tallman, Vice Chairman Venier, Members M. Girrback, T. Friar,
and G. Masserant.

Excused: Secretary A. Nordyke and Member N. Masserant

Stephen C. Tallman, Chairman
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