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Jerome Township Planning Commission

May 6, 2026 @ 7:00 pm

- Call to Order and Pledge to Flag
- Roll Call

Present; Ketover, Arndt, Bernier, Kinkema; Prokriefka

Absent: None

Guests: 1

- Motion Arndt to approve minutes of April 1, 2026-**CARRIED**
- **Board Member report**
- **OLD BUSINESS**
 - a. **Five year review update**; Reviewed the update we received from Sara Jo Rowley and after changes to date to reflect accurate time, change to Recreation and Community Facilities section to include; correction to construction of new Senior Center which was up and running before flood, removing village improvements since they are not Township done, discussion of M30 walkway it was moved by Steve Arndt and seconded by John Kinkema to approve and send to Board-**CARRIED**
 - b. **Cemetery Ordinance**: Still being worked on by Township attorneys. When completed a public hearing will be held to approve the cemetery ordinance draft.
 - c. **Blight Ordinance**: Planning commission will amend the ordinance name at the same time that the ordinance is reviewed and any recommended changes from building inspector done and after a hearing is held
- **NEW BUSINESS**
 - a. Discussion on data centers and land use issues with them as discussed at MTA training. Supervisor Rice joined us in discussion which included water use, power, upgrades. if needed, security and setbacks. Motion made by Ketover as follows; The Jerome Township Planning Commission recommends that the Jerome Township Board pass a six (6) month moratorium on data centers and computer rooms in order to review the impact on the township, seconded by Steve Arndt-**CARRIED**

- b. Brief discussion on Short Term Rentals and ordinance if needed. General consensus is that because of the minimal number of rentals and the costs involved it was not advisable to pursue at this time.

 - c. Discussion on special use permits and pole barns on adjacent properties because of potential applications and ordinances involved. Sent copy of 12.05 to members which covers this
- Adjournment: Motion John Kinkema to adjourn at 8:20 pm-**CARRIED**

Submitted by Jay Ketover, Secretary