



**RAISINVILLE TOWNSHIP  
PLANNING COMMISSION MINUTES  
January 19, 2026**

A meeting of the Raisinville Township Planning Commission was called to order by Chairman John Delmotte at 7:00 PM on Monday January 19, 2026. John led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Roll Call:** John Delmotte, Keith Henderson, Ryan Timiney, Jessica Sawyer were present, along with Raisinville Township planner, Lucie Fortin. Tom Woelmer, Catherine Acerboni were excused and Craig Assenmacher was absent.

Jon Swinkey, 1606 Beechwood St. Monroe, Mi 48162, applicant was also in attendance

**Chairman's yearly report:** Submitted by Chairman John Delmotte

**Motion to accept the 2025 Chairman's yearly report** by Jessica, **Supported** by Keith. **Motion Carried.**

**Election of Officers for 2026, a one-year term:**

**Chairman-** Ryan nominates **John Delmotte.** **Motion** by Ryan, **Support** by Jessica. **Motion Carried**

**Vice Chairman-** Keith nominates **Craig.** **Motion** by Keith, **Support** by Jessica. **Motion Carried**

**Secretary-** Ryan nominates **Jessica.** **Motion** by Ryan, **Supported** by Keith. **Motion Carried**

**Approval of minutes:**

**Motion to approve the minutes of the October 20, 2025 meeting and place them on file** by Keith, **Supported** by Jessica. **Motion carried.**

**New Business: PUBLIC HEARING**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to Michigan Public Act 110 of 2006, of the State of Michigan, as amended, and pursuant to the Zoning Ordinance of the Township of Raisinville that the Planning Commission of the Township of Raisinville will hold a Public Hearing on Monday, January 19, 2026 at the Township Hall, 96 Ida-Maybee Road, Monroe, MI 48161 at 7:00 p.m. The purpose of the hearing is for consideration of Special Approval Use under Raisinville Township Zoning Ordinance, Section 15, filing, excavating and stripping, filed by the applicant listed below:

Jon Swinkey of 1606 Beechwood St., Monroe, MI 48161. Parcel ID# 5813-129-103-05.

**Motion to Open Public Hearing** by Keith, **Supported** by Ryan. **Motion Carried**

The board heard from Jon Swinkey of 1606 Beechwood St., Monroe, MI 48161. Parcel ID# 5813-129-103-05. The applicant proposes to place soil material on the property to raise the elevation along the front portion of the site and to address drainage issues. Approximately 1,481 cubic yards of fill are proposed, using soil material that was obtained and stockpiled adjacent to the River Raisin on the northwest side of the property (approximately 1,056 cubic yards). The scope of the work includes raising a low area on the property's east side and creating a drainage swale between the subject property and the adjacent parcel. Following a complaint, the applicant was notified by the Township Attorney, on behalf of Raisinville Township, that placement of fill on the parcel requires Township approval (Letter dated January 3, 2025).

The applicant subsequently submitted the following materials:

1. An application for review and fee dated October 27, 2025.
2. Application attachments including:
  - a. A narrative describing the proposed drainage improvements,
  - b. The property's legal description and boundary survey,
  - c. A narrative addressing the special use approval standards.
3. A site plan with added notes related to the proposed activity (undated).
4. A boundary and floodway survey dated April 20, 2025.



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Prior to issuance of a filling permit, the site plan must be reviewed by the Planning Commission, which will make a recommendation to the Township Board for approval, approval with conditions, or denial. The board recommended that a Soil Erosion Permit from the Monroe County Drain Commission be obtained.

No other public comments

**Motion to Close Public Hearing** by Jessica, **Support** by Henderson. **Motion Carried** at 7:19pm

**Motion to recommend to the Township Board approval with conditions that the applicant obtain Soil Erosion Permit, Updated Site Plan showing location of the swale** by Sawyer, **Support** Henderson. **All in favor. Motion Carried**

**Old Business:** None

**Miscellaneous:**

- Chairman Delmotte discussed correspondence regarding current ordinances for shipping containers. Lucie Fortin to discuss this issue with Supervisor Blanchette and will bring back discussion for our next meeting. We are unaware of whether the board wants us to pursue this further.

- Chairman Delmotte received a phone call today regarding ordinances for Data Centers. We've discussed this in the past and at that time recognized while we don't have a specific ordinance on this, the usage would currently be allowed in industrial districts. If we don't have language for it, then it becomes a Special Use which allows the Planning Commission discretion on the placement of any future development. Adjacent Townships have placed moratoriums on placement of any future data centers.

- Lucie Fortin believes that our current ordinance would move any Data Center to Special Use/Approval so a moratorium shouldn't be needed. She discussed Dundee and Frenchtown are currently being targeted for potential developments.
- The PC feels that as the ordinance currently stands, we shouldn't need to amend our ordinance.

**Public Comment:** No other members of the public were present

**Motion to Adjourn at 7:33 pm** by Ryan. **Supported** by Craig. **Motion Carried**

Next meeting is scheduled for February 15, 2026 (if needed)