

MEETING MINUTES

Sharon Planning Commission
Wednesday April 01, 2026, 4:00 PM
Sharon Municipal Building

I. CALL TO ORDER

Clancy Atkinson, Authority Chair called the meeting to order at 4:04 pm.

II. ROLL CALL

Planning Commission	Present	Absent
Clancy Atkinson, Chair	X	
Chip Patterson	X	
James Landino		X
Lizette Olsen	X	
Greg Fertig	X	
Sara McCauley	X	
Vacant		

Other Attendees	
Bob Fiscus	City Manager
Suzanne Kepple	Sharon City CDBG Prog Manager
Danielle Warren	Sharon code & zoning coordinator
Angie Urban	Sharon Comm Dev Corp Director

III. COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE PUBLIC

IV. APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES

- 1. Planning Commission meeting Minutes 03-04-2026.docx
Approved the past meeting minutes from 03-04-2026 (motion to accept Lizette, 2nd Sara)

V. INFORMATION ITEMS

1. ITEMS SCHEDULED FOR ACTION

- 1. Mercer Node Development – Preliminary Land development plan City of Sharon. The 80-megawatt substation on Clark St for the datacenter received preliminary approval from the MCRPC. There is a town hall scheduled for April 7th at Linden Pointe to discuss the datacenter at the following times: Noon, 2pm, 4pm and 6 pm. The Preliminary development did not require approval from the Sharon Planning Commission.

Per Danielle Warren, these other items are being reviewed in the near future:

1. ACTS Theater – Variance appeal to approve new electronic sign
2. Conversion of a house from single family to duplex (Wengler)
3. Building for the datacenter

2. Execution of Comprehensive Plan

Focused on Recreation this meeting:

1. Clancy led discussion on potential for a new park on the West Hill near HopeCAT. Approximately 14 acres of land is available. Some of the land is owned by the city of Sharon. A portion owned by HopeCAT and a smaller portion is privately owned but may be available. There are plans from 2023 available and some funding is available. Will need grant money. Lizette mentioned that we could possibly make a request to the Buhl Regional Health Foundation. Ian Beniston has been involved in developing some parks and would be an excellent resource to tap.
2. Discussed tree planting projects
3. Suzanne gave an update on a potential kayak launch on the Shenango River. River Watchers are likely to be involved in this.
4. We need to find out when the Recreation Committee meets and find out what their plans are. Daphne should have their meeting schedule.
5. Zoning updates will be available to the public at our next Planning Meeting (May 6th). Expected to make recommendations to City Council in August.

2. ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. Bob Fiscus mentioned that he would like to have the City Departments evaluated using money from a Strategic Management Planning Program (STMP). Goal would be to improve administrative management and fiscal planning.
2. Angie mentioned that there will be online training available at 1pm on April 7th to learn about data center infrastructures.
3. Next meeting will be on May 6, 2026 at the Sharon Municipal Building

3. ADJOURNMENT

Motion to Adjourn Sara, 2nd Chip