Gallia County
Planning Commission

Minutes

April 23, 2026

The Gallia County Planning Commission met on Thursday, April 23, 2026 with the following members in attendance: County Commissioner Jay Stapleton, County Commissioner Jeremy Kroll, Angela Cremeens, Nick Mills, Garrett Fulk, Hedi Easley, Tom White, and Shari Hill. Members absent: John McKean, John White, Jacob Morris, Pat Fillinger. Guests were Steve McGee, Dustin Deckard, and Joe Carter

Chairman White brought the meeting to order and established a quorum at 2:06pm.

January 22, 2026, Meeting Minutes: Chairman White asked if everyone had a chance to review the minutes. He asked if there were any corrections, there were none. Garrett Fulk made a motion, seconded by Hedi Easley to approve the minutes. All members voting yea.

Easement Variance for Joe Carter: Nick reference the meeting packet that had the split sheet and map of the proposed 40-foot-wide easement. He explained that the normal width on an ingress/egress easement is 50 foot in width. Nick explained his conversation with the surveyor and the surveyor stated that the 40-foot width is more than adequate for this particular property split. Nick asked Joe Carter if he had anything to add to the discussion. Joe stated no and added that this is what he and the surveyor had discussed. Nick concluded that he did not see any issue with granting this variance. Garrett Fulk made a motion to grant the easement width variance, seconded by Commissioner Kroll. All members voting yea.

Treasurer Report: Nick directed the Board to the treasurer report. He stated that we had an ending balance as of March 31, 2026 of $9,900.00. Commissioner Stapleton asked Nick if he has heard anything negative about the fees. Nick responded that the only complaint he has heard from is from 1 surveyor, who made it clear he thinks they should be free.

Before adjourning, Chairman White brought up a recent zoom meeting he attended regarding data centers. Commissioner Kroll stated that he feels we do not need them here in Gallia County. Chairman White responded by stating they are allowed to buy and build here. There was much discussion on the effects of data centers in Gallia County (in terms of environmental impact, employment, and taxes). Commissioner Stapleton stated that the only way to potentially stop them is through zoning, but he doesn't want to implement zoning in Gallia County. There was then discussion on zoning and possible alternative to it. Commissioner Kroll stated that he has spoken with many residents of Gallia County and the impression all of them have given him is that

they do not want data centers in the county. Nick stated that he will look further into this.

At 2:19pm Commissioner Stapleton made a motion, seconded by Hedi Easley to adjourn the meeting. All members voting yea.