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La Porte County Board of Zoning Regular Meeting Tuesday, March 17th, 2026 at 6:00 p.m. La Porte County Complex

AGENDA

1. Roll Call
2. Approval of Minutes: February 17, 2026.
3. Petition (s):

- 1. Petition to Rescind Use Variance and Appeal of Enforcement Decision by The Legacy Corporation and Legacy Lane, LLC**, asking the BZA to rescind a USE Variance granted on August 19, 2025 in favor of Premier Real Estate Development, LLC, RJs Boosted Performance LLC, and T K Repair LLC (collectively “Respondents”) on Real Estate located at 305 W Johnson Road, LaPorte, IN 46350, Center Township, zoned R1B, total 1.068 acres. Parcel 46-06-21-277-012.000-042 (.738 ac) and Parcel 46-06-21-277-021.000-042 (.33 ac)
TABLED FROM FEBRUARY 17TH, 2026
- 2. Petition for Special Exception for Yellowstone Solar Project, LLC represented by counsel Christopher L. Willoughby** for construction and operation of a commercial, large-scale ground-mounted solar energy system (SES). This property is located on or near the West side of S SR 104 (with portions of three (3) parcels situated along the East side of S SR 104, North and South of E 750 S and along the railway to the East) and between S SR 104 to the East, E Kankakee Road to the South, and S 775 E to the East, with two (2) additional parcels situated on the South side of E Kankakee Road approximately half way between S 775 E to the West and S SR104 to the East in, Johnson Township, LaPorte County, Indiana. Zoned Agriculture and approximately 626.85 acres. Parcel 46-16-08-400-006.000-051, Parcel 46-16-09-300-001.000-051, Parcel 46-16-09-300-002.000-051, Parcel 46-16-16-100-001.000-051, Parcel 46-16-16-100-002.000-051, Parcel 46-16-04-300-004.000-051, Parcel 46-16-09-100-002.000-051 and 46-16-09-200-001.000-051, Parcel 46-16-09-300-003.000-051 and Parcel 46-16-09-400-002.000-051.
- 3. Petition for Variance of Developmental Standards for Timothy and Kathryn Kawacin** for construction of a detached garage four (4) feet from the side property instead of the minimum required ten (10)’ feet. New Garage size 19’5” x 35’9”. This property is located at 120 Judson Road, LaPorte, IN, Center Twp, zoned R1B and Parcel 46-06-22-305-021.000-042.
TABLED FROM FEBRUARY 17TH, 2026

4. **Petition for Variance of Developmental Standards for Gary S Meloun & Brianna Renay Shaw JTWROS & Christopher McGrew** to split a parcel in two. Parent parcel will retain 287' of frontage and 4.63 acres; New parcel will have 60' of frontage and 6.94 acres and for construction of a home on the new parcel. The property is located at 0119 N. 600 E., Mill Creek, IN., Wills Twp., zoned A on 11.57 acres. Parcel 46-08-31-300-019.000-068. **TABLED FROM NOVEMBER**
5. **Petition for Special Exception for Stephen Valich** to keep two (2) horses on less than three (3) acres. The property is located at 4952 S Range, Road, LaPorte, IN, Zoned R1B on 2.319 acres. Parcel 46-10-25-426-002.000-066
6. **Petition for Variance of Developmental Standards for Brett Waldo** for placement of an enclosed 60' x 30' carport and no more than six (6) shipping containers. Access by legal easement, no road frontage. The property is located at 7808 S 1st Line Road, LaPorte, IN, in Washington Township, (KIP) zoned M2 on 18.227. Parcel 46-15-08-200-007.000-066
7. **Petition for Variance of Development Standards for Daniel J and Lana Ford** for construction of a shed eight (8) feet from the side and rear property lines instead of the minimum ten (10) feet required. The property is located at 2976 N Horseshoe Bend, LaPorte, IN, in Center Township, zoned R1B. Parcel 46-06-23-127-003.000-042
8. **Petition for Variance of Development Standards for Jean Coulter (seller) and Dana Miller (buyer)** for constructing a home and barn on a one (1) acre lot with no road frontage. Access to lot will be from Granite Drive and not part of the subdivision. The property is located next to or East of 9441 W Granite Drive, Westville in New Durham Township, zoned A on 62.177 acres. Parcel 46-09-28-200-003.000-027
9. **Petition for Variance of Use and Developmental Standards for Steven Hardwicke and Yvette Hardwicke (deceased) (seller) and Nicholas Gragido (buyer)** constructing a pole barn without a residence and operating a landscaping/lawn care business. Property will be cleaned up as well as the buildings will be demolished prior to construction. The property is located at 3026 W Small Road, LaPorte, IN in Center Township zoned R1B. Parcel 46-06-33-477-008.000-042

4. New Business
5. Adjournment