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## Special Meeting Re: Conditional Use Permit for Lake Academy, LLC September 11, 2023 5:30 pm Harris Town Hall

**Present:** Madam Chair Clayton, Vice-Chair Schack, Supervisors Davies, Gilbert, Kelley, and Clerk Derfler

The Special Meeting was called to order at 5:30 pm by Madam Chair Clayton.

The pledge to the flag was conducted.

The purpose of the session was to carry out findings of facts for a Conditional Use Permit for Lake Academy, LLC.

### Conditional Use Permit

Chair Clayton reviewed the conditional use application of Lake Academy, LLC of 20284 River Rd, Grand Rapids, MN 55744 from Daycare Facility I to Daycare Facility II, development achievement center for various age groups. The property is currently licensed for 12 students as a Daycare Facility I and is applying for the conditional use permit for 16 students as a Daycare Facility II. The site visit was held on Monday, September 11<sup>th</sup> and the public hearing is scheduled for September 13, 2023 at 9am at the county boardroom.

Chair Clayton reviewed the findings of facts and will return it to the Environmental Services Department.

1. The use conforms to the comprehensive plan of Harris Township?

Supervisor Kelley: Yes  
Supervisor Gilbert: Yes  
Supervisor Davies: Yes  
Supervisor Schack: Yes  
Madam Chair Clayton: Yes  
Comments:

2. The use is compatible with the existing neighborhood?

Supervisor Kelley: Yes  
Supervisor Gilbert: Yes  
Supervisor Davies: Yes  
Supervisor Schack: Yes  
Madam Chair Clayton: Yes  
Comments: 6.6 acres and set back off of road.

3. Have environmental concerns or precautions been addressed?

Supervisor Kelley: Yes  
Supervisor Gilbert: Yes  
Supervisor Davies: Yes  
Supervisor Schack: Yes  
Madam Chair Clayton: Yes  
Comments: In operation already.

4. Does the site have sufficient vehicle access in and out of the property and adequate parking?

Supervisor Kelley: Yes  
Supervisor Gilbert: Yes  
Supervisor Davies: Yes  
Supervisor Schack: Yes  
Madam Chair Clayton: Yes  
Comments:

5. Is there adequate water supply and sewage treatment for the request?

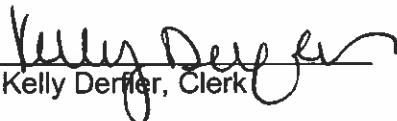
Supervisor Kelley: Yes  
Supervisor Gilbert: Yes  
Supervisor Davies: Yes  
Supervisor Schack: Yes  
Madam Chair Clayton: Yes  
Comments: Yes, per the application. Questioned the septic size for the amount of people.

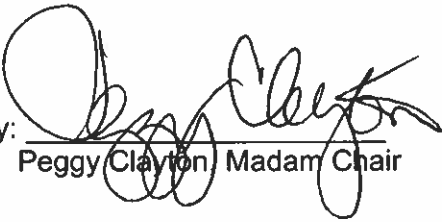
6. Have potential unsafe or unhealthy conditions been addressed?

Supervisor Kelley: Yes  
Supervisor Gilbert: Yes  
Supervisor Davies: Yes  
Supervisor Schack: Yes  
Madam Chair Clayton: Yes  
Comments: Yes, per the application.

A motion was made by Supervisor Kelley and seconded by Supervisor Davies to recommend the approval of the conditional use application for Lake Academy, LLC, of 20284 River Rd, Grand Rapids, MN 55744. Ayes-5; Nays-0. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Supervisor Schack and seconded by Supervisor Gilbert to adjourn the meeting at 5:57 pm.

Submitted by:   
Kelly Derfler, Clerk

Signed by:   
Peggy Clayton, Madam Chair