

Schoolcraft Township Planning Commission

Proposed Minutes of the meeting held on Monday, November 3, 2020

A meeting of the Schoolcraft Township Planning Commission was held on Monday, November 3, 2020, at the Schoolcraft Township Hall commencing at 6:00 pm.

MEMBERS PRESENT: David Aubry
Charles Bibart (Zoom)
Eric Jasiak
Dave Reno (Zoom)
Barry Visel

MEMBERS ABSENT: Rich Bailey
Greg Feldmeier

OTHER ATTENDEES: Supervisor Ulsh
Two residents
Administrator Hamilton
(by phone approximately 6:30-6:35 pm.)

Chairman Visel opened the meeting at 6:00 pm.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

A motion was made by Dave Aubry with support from Eric Jasiak to approve the agenda as issued. **Motion carried 5-0**

MINUTES OF PRIOR MEETING:

A motion was made by Dave Aubry and supported by Dave Reno to approve the minutes of the September 14, 2020, meeting as issued. **Motion carried 5-0**

CITIZEN TIME:

Todd and Heather Bierma were present to inquire about splitting their property and the construction of a private road. Chairman Visel advised them to consult the Township Tax Assessor regarding the ability to split the property and consult the Township Ordinance regarding the requirements for constructing a private road. If all requirements are met, they can proceed to submit plans to the Planning Commission for review and recommendation to the Township Board.

NEW BUSINESS

- a. Proposed Ordinance Amendment, Public Hearing: Darren Howard

An application proposing to amend Ordinance sections 15.3 and 17.3 covering Special Land Uses, in particular Mini-storage facilities. Chairman Visel opened the Public hearing at 6:16pm.

Although Mr. Howard was not present to discuss the precise changes he was proposing; nor the circumstances, factors, and reasons to support any changes, the Commission proceeded on the assumption that he was requesting the addition of Mini-Storage Facility to section 15.3, Special Land Uses in the LC Local Commercial District. Discussion centered on commercial uses vs. industrial uses.

A motion to recommend that the Township Board approve the addition of Mini-Storage Facility to section 15.3, Special Land Uses in the LC Local Commercial District was made by Dave Aubry with support from Dave Reno. **Motion carried 5-0**

The Public Hearing was closed at 6:40 pm.

OLD BUSINESS

No items were discussed

REPORT FROM THE TOWNSHIP BOARD

No report was received.

REPORT FROM THE ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

The ZBA granted a variance to the Pinto family for an addition to their house. Variance was for relief of the 40 ft. setback from Fisherman Lane.

MEMBER'S TIME AND TOWNSHIP ATTORNEY TIME

No items were discussed

With no further business, a motion to adjourn was made by Dave Aubry with support from Eric Jasiak at 6:40 pm. **Motion carried 5-0**

Respectfully Submitted
Charles Bibart
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