

Salem Township Planning Commission

Minutes, December 4, 2014

Called to Order, Pledge of Allegiance 7 pm. Members present – Wagner, Myers, Pitsch, Boyles, Boerema. Absent with notice – Berens, Oosterink.

Approval of the Agenda – moved by Pitsch, seconded by Boerema. Motion carried.

Approval of the November, 2014 Meeting Minutes – moved by Wagner, seconded by Boerema. Motion carried.

Inquiry of Conflict of Interest – none noted.

Township Board update – by Boyles. Five items – new spamwall for computers, approval of road paving recommendations, reappointed Tax Board of Review, replacement of furnace at Township Hall, and meeting dates for 2015.

Parks Plan survey – status update – More surveys have come in. Deadline was November 29. Need to get Survey Monkey results via Ashley. Pitsch to continue tallying survey answers.

Senior Living Facility – Site Plan Revisions - Jennifer and Glen Zandstra. Appearance of building has changed, no second floor and HVAC on roof, due to budget constraints. Porch will wrap around as second and third phases are developed, with sunroom access and constant supervision. Doors will have keypads. Lighting will be under overhangs, downcast. Original drawings showed a grander structure, now plainer but clients will be concerned about the inside atmosphere not outside appearance. PC still lacks drawings for signage and landscaping. Parking lot not done. No opening date set yet.

It was decided to allow site plan revisions for altered appearance but to require that landscaping and signage drawings be provided, lighting to remain downcast as approved, and parking lot information be provided to Planning Commission.

Public Comment – High Speed Internet meeting was held in Township and went well. Next meeting 1/13/15.

Other/Roundtable – Reaffirmation of officers – tabled to January.

Moved by Pitsch, seconded by Boerema to adjourn. Motion carried. 7:53 pm.

