SALEM TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION

Minutes, February 3, 2022

Call to Order, Pledge of Allegiance - 7 pm

Roll Call of Members - Present - Striegle, Coupe, Pitsch, Myers, Berens, Wagner, Oosterink.

Absent - none

Recognition of Visitors – James Pitsch, Township Supervisor

Approval of the January, 2022 Meeting Minutes – Motion by Pitsch, second by Berens. Motion carried Comments from the Public – Supervisor Pitsch noted that the Parks and Rec Plan was accepted by the

DNR today. He also noted a meeting planning for Thursday, February 10 at 10 am with Williams and Works to begin process for update of Master Plan and Master Parks Plan. Striegle, Coupe, Pitsch ad possible Myers to attend.

Approval of the Agenda for this Meeting – with correct: removal of Tim Mulder site plan review.

Motion by Pitsch, second by Coupe. Motion carried.

Inquiry of Conflict of Interest - none noted.

New Business

Discussion of Accessory Building size limitations

Current ordinance reads 30% of registered yard which is calculated as rear setback x width so that two parcels with same total area will have two different size allowances for accessory building based on their shape. Examples of this and options for change were presented by Lori (PCI). Option that reflects a flat percent limit was most favored in preliminary discussion. Other possible considerations that may be considered are height limit, number of buildings, total lot coverage, different limits in different districts, and drain field area considerations. Discussion to be continued at next meeting with possible public hearing at the April meeting.

Old Business - None

Correspondence received - none

Reports and Comments -

Township Board – by Striegle – Township Board supported PC decision not to amend Ordinance text (Bartz request). Private road Ordinance amendment is postponed for further discussion. Possible hotspots to be available from library.

PCI – Weather issues delaying inspections until later. Blight issue at house by former Kermits was again brought up due to further deterioration.

Other/Roundtable

Next Meeting - March 3, 2022

Adjournment - Motion by Oosterink, second by Wagner. Motion carried 7:42 pm.