

SALEM TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION

Minutes, July 7, 2022

7 pm, Salem Township Hall

Call to Order, Pledge of Allegiance – 7 pm.

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

Recognition of Visitors – 1 new Boy Scout, doing Citizenship in the Community Merit Badge

Approval of the Minutes of the Previous Meeting- Motion by Pitsch, Second by Coupe – Motion carried
Comments from the Public - Jacklyn Hulst – received Master Plan in mail – loves water protection aspect.

Approval of the Agenda for the Meeting – Motion by Coupe, Second by Wagner – Motion carried.

Inquiry of Conflict of Interest – none noted.

New Business

Public Hearing – text amendment to the Ordinance to adjust the size of Accessory Buildings motion to postpone by Pitsch, Second by Wagner – Motion carried.

Reopened at 7:06 with video review of amendment by Lori (PCI). Public Comment – Hulst said it seems fair and good. Blain asked for clarification of purpose which was to make it more fair to owners of less than perfectly rectangular parcels. Motion to close public hearing by Coupe, Second by Oosterink – Motion carried 7:20 pm.

Motion by Oosterink, second by Berens to recommend change to accessory building, sec. 16.09b of the Ordinance. Roll call vote – Striegle – yes, Coupe – yes, Pitsch – yes, Myers – yes, Berens – yes, Wagner – yes, Oosterink – yes. Motion carried.

Old Business

TKN Farms – Mineral Extraction, processing and crushing application – Motion by Striegle, Second by coupe to postpone pending demonstration of soil screener. Motion carried.

Correspondence – None

Reports and Comments

Township Board, by Striegle – Approved Sandy Pines fireworks and discussed spending ARCA funds.

PCI – multiple issues in progress

Other/Roundtable – Berens noted that corner by his residence again overgrown and interfering with traffic line of sight. Oosterink inquired about trees on property line – Lori (PCI) said that it is up to neighbors or can become legal issue – not zoning. Oosterink and Striegle will be absent from August meeting.

Next Meeting – August 4, 2022

Adjournment – Motion by Pitsch, second by Wagner to adjourn. Motion carried – 7:27 pm.