

Salem Township Planning Commission

Minutes, November 3, 2022

7 pm, Salem Township Hall

(by consensus, Lynette Wagner acting chairperson)

Call to Order, Pledge of Allegiance – 7 pm.

Roll Call of Members – Present – Coupe, Pitsch, Berens, Wagner. Absent with notice, Oosterink, Striegler, Myers.

Recognition of Visitors – none

Approval of the Minutes of the previous meeting – Motion by Pitsch, Second by Berens – Motion carried.

Comments from the Public – inquiry about Roads Meeting, directed to office for further information.

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

Inquiry of Conflict of Interest – none noted.

**New Business**

Meeting dates for 2023 – discussed and set.

January 5                      May 4                              September 7

February 2                     June 1                             October 5

March 2                         July 6                              November 2

April 6                         August 3                         December 7

Motion by Pitsch, Second by Coupe to approve. Motion carried.

Areas of concern to address in Master Plan Update –

Lot sizes, solar energy/farms, site condos – to be discussed in future meetings

**Old Business**

TKN Farms – Mineral Extraction, processing and crushing application – continued from previous

Motion by Pitsch, Second by Coupe to postpone pending sound test on soil screener, scheduled for November 10 at 1 and 1:30 pm onsite with Lori (PCI). Motion carried.

PC members are reminded that no more than 3 can be present at a time in order to avoid violation of Open Meetings Act. A crusher is not currently being planned for – only screener.

Correspondence received – none

**Reports and Comments**

Township Board – issue of drainage on a private road down off 137<sup>th</sup> was discussed. PC action on SUP reviewed and all necessary actions were taken (2019). Lori (PCI) to pursue appropriate actions.

PCI – many tickets being issues and will be followed up on. Solar Energy Moratorium by Township Board will be reflected in PC hearing on same moratorium at December meeting. John Myers has resigned from PC for health reasons. Oosterink will be acting chair until replacement found and new officers elections held.

**Other/Roundtable**

Berens noted that a mobile home on 142<sup>nd</sup> just east of 32<sup>nd</sup> looks very nice but work done without permits. Lori (PCI) will check.

Updated pages for PC Ordinance books requested.

Next meeting – December 1, 2022

Motion to Adjourn by Pitsch, Second by Berens – Motion carried. 7:53 pm.