**Salem Township Planning Commission**

**Minutes, July 12, 2018**

**Call to Order, Pledge of Allegiance – 7:07 pm**

**Roll call of members – Present – Wagner, Oosterink (acting as chairperson), Berens, Pitsch. Absent with notice – Boyles, Myers, Boerema.**

**Recognition of visitors – none**

**Approval of the June, 2018 minutes – motion by Pitsch, seconded by Berens. Motion carried.**

**Comments from the Public on items not on the Agenda – none**

**Approval of the Agenda for the meeting – motion by Pitsch, seconded by Wagner, with Old Business moved ahead of New Business. Motion carried.**

**Inquiry of Conflict of Interest – none noted**

**Old Business**

**Amendment to chapter 5a of the Ordinance, to add Rural Events as continued from previous meeting. Reviewed language (by Lori, PCI). Motion by Wagner, seconded by Berens to recommend to Township Board for adoption to Ordinance. Motion carried. Lori (PCI) to contact supervisor.**

**New Business –**

**Public Hearing – Chapter 6 Rural Events Facility amendment – opened at 7:14 pm. Overview by Lori (PCI), regarding 6.03ii. Public Comment – none. Motion to close Public Hearing by Wagner, seconded by Berens. Motion carried 7:15 pm. Motion to recommend as written to Township Board, by Wagner, seconded by Berens. Motion carried. Lori will contact supervisor to let him know.**

**Public Hearing – Land Division chapter 5a to streamline language, process, etc. Opened at 7:16 pm. Overview and explanation of all changes by Lori (PCI). Public Comment – none. Motion to close Public Hearing by Pitsch, seconded by Berens. Motion carried. 7:48 pm. PC discussion regarding parcels of less than 40 acres. Postponed to next meeting in order to review final language.**

**Public Hearing – Land Division Chapter 6 to streamline. Public Hearing opened 7:48 pm. Overview and explanation of changes by Lori (PCI). Public comment – none. Motion by Berens, seconded by Wagner to close Public Hearing. Motion carried. 8:14 pm. Discussion by PC members – Motion to postpone further to next meeting, by Wagner. Seconded by Pitsch. Motion carried.**

**Correspondence received – none**

**Reports and comments**

 **Township Board – none**

 **PCI –(Lori) Scott Pikaart – to move forward with building permit**

**Other/Roundtable – Oosterink – noted that sand mining operation on 30th (Lowe) needs to address fences. He also noted blight issues – old Shell station, house next to old Kermits, etc. Also reported that some of trees behind Burnips equipment have died and will need to be replaced when appropriate to plant.**

**Motion to adjourn by Wagner, seconded by Pitsch. Motion carried. 8:24 pm.**