

**Salem Township Planning Commission**

**Minutes, April 4, 2019**

**Call to Order, Pledge of Allegiance – 7 pm.**

**Roll Call of members – present – Myers, Coupe, Oosterink, Pitsch, Berens, Wagner. Absent with notice – Boyles.**

**Recognition of Visitors – none**

**Approval of the March, 2019 Minutes – motion by Oosterink, seconded by Coupe. Motion carried.**

**Comments from the public – none**

**Approval of the Agenda for the Meeting – motion by Pitsch, seconded by Coupe. Motion carried.**

**Inquiry of Conflict Of Interest – Coupe, as currently elected member of Library Board, will not participate/vote on Library sign issue (Public Hearing for SUP).**

**New Business**

**Public Hearing – SUP for Salem Library Sign – opened at 7:03 pm.**

**Overview by Lori (PCI) – Sign is to replace current sign, same location, but will be electronic and mention Fire Department and Township offices as well. SUP needed because it is 3<sup>rd</sup> sign on parcel and is electronic changeable sign. Linda Norder (Library) explained that the Township and Fire Department are on board with sign and even willing to share cost. She noted that site already has electricity.**

**Motion by Berens, seconded by Wagner to close Public Hearing. Motion carried. 7:06 pm. PC discussion – PCI had no issues with sign. Berens noted that he was concerned about proximity to corner but is no longer worried after seeing plans. Myers asked about size. Norder said it is a little longer than previous sign.**

**Findings of Fact:**

- a. Complies – already an existing sign so replace not supplement.**
- b. Complies – does not apply**
- c. Complies – does not apply**
- d. Complies – not flashing or overly colorful**
- e. Complies – existing sign & promotes Township**
- f. Complies – no change**

**Motion to grant SUP as applied for – by Oosterink. Seconded by Wagner. Motion carried.**

**Step 1, Site Condo Review for Arnsman – This is a preliminary discussion. Overview by Lori (PCI). Parcel is at 30<sup>th</sup> and 136<sup>th</sup>, actually a parcel divided by Consumers' Power. Arnsman hopes to build 10 units, reserving site 6 at the back, undivided as a future place to build his own home. He has permission to extend the private road across the Consumers' Power property to reach his back lot. PCI has no issues with plans. PC also had no issues.**

**Old Business**

**Updates on previous complaints/issues**

- 1. Property with multiple cars – on 142 – being cleared**
- 2. Overturned motorhome from tornado – on 32<sup>nd</sup> – Lori will visit next week**
- 3. Burnips Equipment – dead pines, loading dock – Lori to inspect**
- 4. Lowe Sand mine – gate, fence, etc. Lori will contact**
- 5. Top Grade mines – review due**
- 6. Property with towing business – 30<sup>th</sup> and 140<sup>th</sup> – letter has been sent**

7. 146<sup>th</sup> and 27<sup>th</sup> – new house being built but possible barn is currently resident – no permit received by assessor – Lori to inspect

#### **Reports and Comments**

Township Board – no report (Boyles absent)

PCI – No report – will update on issues next month

#### **Other/Roundtable**

Final distribution of Contact Information Sheet to John C and Lori

**NEXT MEETING MAY 2, 2019**

Adjournment – Motion by Oosterink, seconded by Berens. Motion carried. Adjourned at 7:39 pm.