

Salem Township Planning Commission
Minutes, August 12, 2010
Special Meeting

Called to order at 7:01 pm.

Present: Berens, Blakeslee, Myers, Oosterink, Pitsch, Shields

Approval of minutes from previous meeting (08/05/10) presented. Moved by Oostertink, seconded by Berens . Motion carried.

Inquiry of conflict of interest – none.

Public hearing – Salem Township Library Special Use Permit Application: opened at 7:03 p.m. Bob Jones introduced the permit and reasons for application. Cal Becksvoort of Latitude Engineering described project including parking, traffic flow, entryway, and lot lighting. Sharon Englesman, Library Board Chair, commented on useage needs and potential. Al Bennett, Library Board member, also commented on parking, regarding handicapped difficulties. Don Seabright, Township Board Member, discussed traffic flow signage and approach to Township Board. James Pitsch, Township Supervisor, discussed parking preference, park land use, and gutters.

Motion to close public hearing at 7:40 by Berens, seconded by Myers. Motion carried.

Motion by Myers, seconded by Berens to approve Salem Township Library Special Use Permit. Motion carried.

Site Plan Review for Salem Township Library – discussion by Planning Commission – need for more lighting, parking lot considerations, signage for parking lot flow, aesthetic Appearance of building (as commercial, brick on bottom of south wall as previously required on other buildings), fire department input.

Motion to table Site Plan review until next Planning commission meeting, pending formal approval of Township Board, written clarification of DNR regarding single parking lot limit, and input from Fire Department. Moved by Pitsch, seconded by Oosterink. Motion carried.

Motion to adjourn –moved by Oosterink, , seconded by Myerse. Motion carried, to adjourn at 7:57 pm.

Kim Pitsch, Secretary