Salem Township Planning commission

Minutes, July 14, 2016

Called to Order, Pledge of Allegiance – 7:01 pm. Members present – Pitsch, Myers, Berens, Oosterink, Boerema. Absent with notice – Wagner, Boyles.

Approval of the Agenda – motion by Pitsch, seconded by Boerema. Motion carried.

Approval of the June 2, 2016 minutes – Motion by Oosterink, seconded by Berens – Motion carried.

Inquiry of Conflict of Interest – none noted.

Township Board update – by Supervisor Pitsch – Village Commercial as a zoning district approved. FEMA Flood Mapping coming to Allegan County. Roads update. Updates/comments from officials who were present at Township Board meeting.

Public Hearing for SUP for propane sales at Marathon Station – overview by Myers. Public Hearing opened at 7:11 pm. No public comments. Motion by Pitsch, seconded by Boerema to close public hearing at 7:14 pm. No member discussion. Motion by Pitsch to approve SUP as applied for. Seconded by Berens. Motion carried.

Site Plan review for Propane sales at Marathon Station. Motion to approve with addition of placard listing emergency numbers, posted by tank outside of station, by Berens. Seconded by Pitsch. Motion carried.

Village Commercial District – list of parcels to be added to this district per owners' or PC request was reviewed. Motion by Oosterink, seconded by Boerema to recommend to Township Board. Motion carried.

Public Hearing to add self storage to Sec. 9.02 (Commercial District). Overview by Lori (PCI). Hearing opened 7:26 pm. No public comments. Motion by Pitsch, seconded by Oosterink to close Public Hearing. Motion carried. 7:27 pm. Motion by Oosterink, seconded by Pitsch to recommend to Township Board.

Public Hearing to amend Village Commercial and Village Residential setbacks by eliminating 100' requirement, reference to section 11.13 of the Ordinance. Overview by Lori, PCI.7;28 Public Hearing opened 7:28 pm. No public comment. Motion by Oosterink, seconded by Berens to close Public Hearing. Motion carried. 7:28 pm. Motion by Oosterink, seconded by Pitsch to recommend amendment to Township Board. Motion carried.

Public Hearing to amend section 8A.04 regarding reference to section 11.13. Reference to be deleted. Public Hearing opened at 7:29 pm. No public comment. Motion by Pitsch, seconded by Boerema to close Public Hearing. Motion carried. 7:30 pm. Motion by Pitsch, seconded by Berens to recommend amendment to Township Board. Motion carried.

Parks Plan Addendum and Master Plan – hearing has been held. Sent to surrounding municipalities and others. No comments received. Motion to recommend to Township Board by Boerema, seconded by Oosterink. Motion carried.

Public comment – none

Other/Roundtable – A sample fence ordinance was received for reading by PC, with discussion in August and possible Public Hearing in September. Broken concrete pile south of 142nd on 26th was noted. A traffic study will be done concerning the corner at 26th and 142nd. Members discussed the need for a 4-way stop.

Motion to adjourn by Oosterink, seconded by Berens. Motion carried. 8:01 pm.

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