

FREEMAN TOWNSHIP PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES

Minutes For November 3, 2015

Chairman Stevens called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

Planning Commission Members Present: Stevens, Wells, Phillips and Maas

Absent: Pohoda.

A quorum was present.

Others Present: None.

Public Comments: None.

Minutes: Chairman Stevens asked for a motion “To accept the October 6, 2015 minutes as written.” Motion: Phillips, 2nd Wells: Motion Carried.

Agenda: Chairman Stevens asked for a motion “To accept the November 3, 2015 Planning Meeting Agenda as written.”: Motion: Phillips, 2nd Maas: Motion Carried.

Meeting Business Activities:

A. Chairman’s Comments:

- 1. Chairman Stevens stated that the Medical Marijuana Law passed the legislature and is headed to the senate and that the law states that the townships can decide how to regulate Medical Marijuana Clinics by ordinance if they desire.**
- 2. Chairman Stevens also stated that the car garage type business on the corner of Lake Station Avenue and M-115 cleared the brush from the corner and it appears that they are going to sell used cars. Chairman Stevens said he will contact Harold Logan to see if this business needs a site plan.**

B. Education – General: None.

C. Zoning Administrator/Blight Officer Report: None.

D. Current Business:

- 1. Long Term Agenda: None.**
- 2. Begin on “Conditional Rezoning” Ordinance:**
 - a. It was agreed by all Planning Commission members to put this item in temporary abeyance as Mr. Pohoda was absent.**
- 3. “Perpetual Garage Sales”:**
 - a. It was agreed by all Planning Commission members to put this item in temporary abeyance for next year to deal with garage sale places like the one on M-115 that only puts “closed” on their signs when not in operation.**
- 4. “Leash Law”:**
 - a. Mr. Maas distributed copies of the new Ordinance No. 35, Draft 2 for all to review.**
 - b. After a lengthy review a motion was made by Mr. Phillips “To approves the new Ordinance No. 35, Draft 2 and send it to the Freeman Township Board for final approval.” Mr. Wells 2nd. The motion passed by all Planning commission members present.**
 - c. Mr. Maas said he would send a copy to the Freeman Township Board.**

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E. New Business:

1. 2016 Planning Commission meeting dates:

- a. The 2016 Planning commission meeting dates were reviewed and set as follows:

March 1, 2016

April 5, 2016

May 3, 2016

June 7, 2016

July 5, 2016

August 3, 2016 (Wednesday due the Primary)

September 6, 2016

October 4, 2016

November 1, 2016

2. 2016 Planning Commission Election of Officers:

- a. Mr. Wells made a motion, Mr. Phillips 2nd, that Mr. Stevens remain Chairman, Mr. Phillips remain Vice-Chairman and Mr. Maas remain Secretary for 2015. Mr. Stevens, Mr. Phillips and Mr. Maas stated they would accept the nomination. The motion was carried by all Planning Commission members present.

F. Adjournment: Motion: Phillips, 2nd Wells "To adjourn". Motion Carried. Time 7:40 PM.

Gary Maas, Secretary