

FREEMAN TOWNSHIP PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES

Minutes For July 6, 2017

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

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

Absent: Wells.

A quorum was present.

Others Present: None.

Public Comments: None.

Minutes: Chairman Stevens asked for a motion "To accept the June 1, 2016 meeting minutes as written."

Motion: Pohoda, 2nd Phillips: Motion Carried.

Agenda: Chairman Stevens asked for a motion "To accept the July 6, 2017 Planning Meeting Agenda as written": Motion: Phillips, 2nd Pohoda: Motion Carried.

Meeting Business Activities:

A. Chairman's Comments:

1. Chairman Stevens stated that people have been contacting him concerning the semi-continuous garage sale on M-115 that is apparently back in operation. He stated that he informs people who are concerned to contact the Freeman Township Board.

B. Education – General:

1. Chairman Stevens stated that there was a seminar coming up in Cadillac that may be of interest to the Planning commission members. The seminar included topics on Marijuana Facilities Licensing and Township Zoning Ordinance Preparedness, Short Term Rental Regulation, and Solar Farm Zoning Provisions. Chairman Stevens stated that he would like to go and asked if there was any interest from anyone else in going. Mr. Phillips stated that he would go. Chairman Stevens and Mr. Phillips said they would attend and report back to the rest of the Planning Commission.

C. Zoning Administrator/Blight Officer Report: None.

D. Current Business:

1. Long Term Agenda: None.
2. Master Plan:
 - a. All Planning Commission members present agreed to put this item in abeyance until the next meeting.
3. Amended Cemetery Ordinance No. 14 Draft 1 Review:
 - a. After the stated amendments were reviewed a motion was made by Mr. Phillips, 2nd Mr. Pohoda to; "Send a letter to the Freeman Township Board recommending the approval of the amended Ordinance No. 14, "Township Owned Cemeteries". Motion Carried.
 - b. Mr. Maas stated that a letter of recommendation along with a copy of the amended Ordinance No.14 would be sent to the Freeman Township Board.
4. Planning Commission By-Laws 5 Year Review:
 - a. After reviewing the Planning Commission By-Laws there was one change concerning the meeting day; from Tuesday to Thursday in Section 3.1.A.

F. Adjournment: Motion: Pohoda, 2nd Maas "To adjourn". Motion Carried. Time 7:45 PM.

Gary Maas, Secretary

