

FREEMAN TOWNSHIP PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES

Minutes For April 05, 2021 – The March 01, 2021 Meeting was Cancelled by Al Housler

Vice Chairman Eckardt called the meeting to order at 10:00 AM.

Planning Commission Members Present: Eckardt, Seig and Maas

Absent: Barnett – Special Note: Mr. Phillips Deceased.

A quorum was present.

Others Present: Al Housler.

Public Comments: None.

Minutes: Vice Chairman Eckardt asked for a motion “To accept the November 15, 2020 meeting minutes as written.” Motion: Maas, 2nd Seig: Motion Carried.

Agenda: Vice Chairman Eckardt asked for a motion “To accept the April 05, 2021 Planning Commission Meeting Agenda as written: Motion: Maas, 2nd Seig: Motion Carried.

Meeting Business Activities:

A. Chairman’s Comments:

1. **Vice Chairman Eckardt stated that Mr. Phillips had passed away earlier this year and that he would like to express his condolences and that he will be greatly missed. All Planning Commission members present agreed. Mr. Maas distributed a sympathy card for all to sign.**

B. Education – General:

1. **Vice Chairman Eckardt asked Mr. Housler if the Planning Commission members could get a “Planning Commission Manual” to aid in our work. Mr. Housler stated that he would look into it.**

C. Zoning Administrator/Blight Officer Report: None.

D. Current Business:

1. **Long Term Agenda: None.**
2. **Zoning Ordinance 8 amendment re. weekend camping on single lots.**
 - a. **Mr. Housler stated that this item seemed to stem from some people on Lake Tahoe having numerous campers on a single lot during a holiday weekend and using a port-a-potty. Mr. Housler further stated that Lake Tahoe has “Covenants” which all residence are required to sign; however, there is nothing in the Covenants that restrict how many campers can be on a single lot or for how long and that there is contention between Lake Tahoe residents to change the Covenants.**
 - b. **Mr. Maas stated that he believed that in areas with “Covenants”, the Covenants over-rule the township ordinances. Mr. Housler stated that he believed this to be correct but will check with the township attorney for clarification.**
 - c. **This item was tabled until Mr. Housler received clarification from the attorney.**
3. **Proposed New Ordinance No. 41-DRAFT 2: “Code of Ethics for Freeman Township Officials Ordinance”.**
 - a. **Vice Chairman Eckardt asked Mr. Housler if there was any developments on this item; Mr. Housler stated that the proposed Code of Ethics Ordinance is still pending with the Board.**

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4. Vice Chairman Eckardt asked Mr. Housler if he knew anything about the Lake of the Pines resident at Ridgeway and Larch that seems to have a considerable mess at his location.
 - a. Mr. Housler stated that this was the residence of a Mr. Zielinski who he believes runs a landscaping business and has all his equipment and material there. The township has written tickets about this before and he pays the ticket and keeps doing the same thing. Mr. Housler further stated that the township's new approach may be to have him be in contempt of court.
- E. New Business:
 1. Mr. Housler proposed that for this year the Planning Commission meet every other month, except for October and November, as the Planning Commission's agenda is fairly light. All agreed this was probably a good idea with the possibility of convening in the off months if required.
 2. Planning will then meet: June 07, August 02, October 04 and November 01 of 2021.
- F. Adjournment: Motion: Maas, 2nd Seig "To adjourn". Motion Carried. Time 10:50 AM.

Gary Maas, Secretary

