

On July 1, 2019 at 6:30 p.m. Planning Commission Chair Tom Braun called the Regular Monthly Meeting to order. Other Planning Commission members present were Kathy Stoeckel, Tari Zortman, Tanya Lundberg, Cyndi MacDonald, Cheryl Schimming and Town Board Liaison Dave Persing.

The Pledge of Allegiance was given.

Cheryl Schimming stated that her intent was not to motion approval of the IUP for Tari Zortman without any conditions, but rather recommend approval with the conditions written by the Zoning Administrator. Tari Zortman motioned to amend the May 20, 2019 minutes to include Ms. Schimming's clarification. Cyndi MacDonald seconded the motion. Motion Carried.

Kathy Stoeckel motioned to approve the amended minutes for May 20, 2019. Tari Zortman seconded the motion. Motion Carried.

A motion was made by Tari Zortman and seconded by Kathy Stoeckel to amend the June 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2019 regular meeting minutes with the correction to add the word one, in the first sentence of the second paragraph. Motion Carried.

A motion was made by Tari Zortman and seconded by Cyndi MacDonald to approve the minutes of June 3, 2019 regular monthly meeting as amended. Motion Carried.

**Land Split, Scott Moller, Section 27.** Tom Braun stated that he is concerned about how they will access the bigger parcel since there is currently no driveway on it. He didn't want farm equipment continually going through the ditches. Eldon Johnson stated that he would talk to Mr. Moller about that.

Tanya Lundberg motioned to recommend approval of the Land Split for Scott Moller to the Town Board. Kathy Stoeckel seconded the motion. Motion Carried.

**Discussion on Road Frontage.** Kathy Stoeckel stated that the Planning Commission had been looking at the road frontages in the different zones because some are 200 feet and some are 300 feet. Tari Zortman stated that she feels that all the zones should be at the same 200 feet. The Clerk stated that one of the problems was that one zone only had 150 feet setback at front building line with no road frontage listed.

Tari Zortman motioned to change all the zones to 200 feet of road frontage. Cyndi MacDonald seconded the motion. Tanya Lundberg stated that she would like to have a professional present to give advice on the pros and cons of an ordinance change. Motion Failed with Tari Zortman, Cyndi MacDonald and Cheryl Schimming in favor and Tom Braun, Tanya Lundberg and Kathy Stockel opposing. Tom Braun stated the item would be tabled and discussed again at next months' meeting.

**Discussion on Barn Venues.** The Planning Commission discussed the issue of creating an ordinance for Agri-Tourism and setting parameters. After some discussion, Tom Braun stated that they should get some more information from the County and revisit the issue again next month.

**Discussion on Solar Farms.** Joel Minks explained some of the research he has done on Solar Farms and thought it would be a good idea for the Township to get some outside help from professionals that are experienced with the issue. The Planning Commission agreed that assistance would be helpful. Tari Zortman motioned to have the Town Board approve Zoning Assistance for the Solar Farms. Cyndi MacDonald seconded the motion. Motion Carried.

**Discussion on Special Events.** Kathy Stoeckel stated that there was some confusion between the Outdoor Event Application and the Special Event Ordinance. The Clerk explained that they are one in the same. She stated that she can correct the Application to read more closely to the Ordinance for clarification purposes.

#### **Open Forum**

Joel Minks stated that he appreciates the Planning Commission looking into the issue of Solar Farms.

Joel Minks thought the checklist for a building permit should be updated with more information such as a driveway permit and septic requirements. The Clerk stated that the current checklist was just meant to be helpful to the applicant but she can add more items to the checklist.

James Talley questioned what a cartway was because he thought there would be future concerns with Red Bridge Road. He stated that he would research the issue more.

Nancy Moan asked the Board if they knew about Agenda 21. She stated that it is part of the United Nations and the New World Order and that she ordered pamphlets which she handed out to the members. She did not think they were a good thing but they've discussed the solar issue.

Eldon Johnson stated that he feels there should be more development around the City and stressed the importance of land use and forward thinking. Joel Minks also felt things should not be restricted.

Tari Zortman stated that she felt misrepresented by Mr. Roxbury's letter to the Board requesting that Mr. Persing be removed from the liaison position because of personal agendas because she did not agree with what was said. Cyndi MacDonald also felt misrepresented.

Kathy Stoeckel motioned to adjourn the meeting at 7:52 p.m. Cheryl Schimming seconded the motion. Motion Carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Connie Wubben  
Clerk/Treasurer

Attendees: Nancy Moan, Joel Minks, Eldon Johnson, James & Debi Talley, John Roxbury, Jr.