

MARKEY TOWNSHIP

PLANNING COMMISSION

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Minutes of the Regular Meeting
May 6, 2010

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Burge at 7:00 pm. Roll was called; those present were Chairman Tom Burge, Secretary Tim Grahl, Hal Hackett, Joe Devins, Joe VanOstsenbridge, Stan Gardner, Ron Duquette. Also present was Land Use Administrator Cathy Oleniczak and 4 citizens.

Chairman Burge presented the agenda with the addition of 3 items.

Reports: Item 4. Land Use Administrator Oleniczak

New Business: Item 2. Preliminary Site Review for Urbanczyk

Item 3. Fletchfin, LLC & Odell Site Plan Review
acceptance and setting of meeting date.

Duquette made a motion to approve the agenda with the addition of the above items. VanOstenbridge seconded the motion and it carried.

Grahl made a motion to approve the minutes from the Public Hearing of April 1, 2010. Burge seconded the motion and it carried.

Devins made a motion to approve the minutes from the Regular Meeting of April 1, 2010. Hackett seconded the motion and it carried.

Correspondence: Burge noted that a letter was sent to Robin Seymour of the County PC requesting changes from the Public Hearing be placed on the April agenda.

The County PC sent a letter to us containing information on changes to procedures. Information was passed on to Recording Secretary Kelly to follow.

Section 3.15 Fences (C). An unsigned letter was received asking that the allowable length be changed from 20' to 24' due to prefabricated fence sections are sold in 8' lengths.

Reports: Hackett reported on the seminar on Form-Based Codes in 7-Steps, sponsored by MSU. The booklet from the seminar is available at the township hall for the board members to read.

Grahl reported that the County PC approved the changes to Greenhouses and Nurseries. On Roadside Sales, the County PC had concerns in the areas of: time limits, permits, definitions of and between home-made and home-grown (whose home), and setbacks

(roadway infringement). Roadside Sales will be placed on the agenda for the June meeting. It was noticed that Roadside Stands was omitted from the list sent to the County PC for approval. It will be included with the next submission to the County PC.

Burge made a motion to forward the changes on Greenhouses and Nurseries to the Township Board for their action. Grahl seconded the motion and it carried.

VanOstenbridge reported that the submitted list on capitol improvements was appreciated by the Township Board, although budget constraints prevent any action at this time.

Land Use Administrator Oleniczak has been asked to attend our monthly meetings and give monthly reports. Oleniczak informed the PC on how she handles complaints, getting approval and advise from the supervisor and, when necessary, the lawyer.

Old Business: Parking of Semi-Trucks and Trailers at residential homes. After discussing, Grahl made a motion to *eliminate* from 15.02, section a, part 9 which reads: Parking of semi-trucks, including the tractor and trailers, and commercial vehicles exceeding a one ton load capacity shall be prohibited in all residential zones. Gardner seconded the motion. Roll call vote: Ayes – Grahl, Duquette, Devins, Gardner; Nays – VanOstenbridge, Hackett, Burge. Motion carried. It will be submitted to the County PC, date to be determined.

Grahl submitted a preliminary draft of the Planning Commission Bylaws for Markey Township, Adopted May 6, 2010. Each board member will get a copy. It will be discussed at the June meeting.

New Business: The board discussed the concerns of Section 3.15, C regarding the length of a 6' privacy fence. Hackett made a motion to present this possible change at the next public hearing, date to be determined. It was seconded by Duquette. Motion carried.

Chairman Burge read a letter from Mary Urbanczyk regarding a preliminary site plan review. Urbanczyk presented her case. Areas of concern were addressed. Urbanczyk will proceed with her plan to be a licensed day care from 1-6 children to increase to 7-12.

Fletchfin, LLC & Odell site plan review to expand over 25% of original building at 2591 Flint Road was accepted for review and the review date is at our next regular meeting on June 3, 2010 at 7:00 pm.

VanOstenbridge made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Duquette seconded the motion and it carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:55 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Kelly

