

FREEDOM TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION  
Regular Meeting  
February 3, 2015  
These minutes are not approved until our next meeting.

We began by saying the Pledge of Allegiance.

Chairman Larry Lindemann called the meeting to order at 7:35 p.m.

Members present: Matt Little, Larry Lindemann and Carol Huehl. Planner Rodney Nanney and from OHM Marcus McNamara. Members absent Dan Schaible and Susan Ochs.

A motion was made by Little with support from Lindemann to adopt the agenda as presented. Motion passed.

A motion was made by Little with support from Lindemann to dispense of the reading of the minutes from January 6 and accept as presented. Motion passed.

Communications: Township Focus for January/February. On January 23 Matt Little attended the Wireless Washtenaw Meeting. He gave a brief recap of the meeting. It seems there is no unity at the Legislative level. They would like to piggyback on existing towers but no one wants to let them on. Some providers are really trying to help. Matt will keep us informed of the progress or lack there of.

Audience Participation: Carol Westfall and Lon Nordeen had sent a letter to Jim Coval our Zoning Ordinance Officer dated January 26, 2015 about a fence that was built at 11260 Hieber Road and sent copies to Supervisor Dale Weidmayer and Clerk Valisa Bristle. They were present to discuss the issue with the Planning Commission members. They were shocked that the fence was approved and wondered what precedence this was setting for all other properties on Hieber Road. They asked if all permits and regulations were followed. They want clarification and explanation in compliance. Their issue is the entire approval process, plans and discussions from neighbors. They wanted to know how it got approved. They asked that a full inspection be done of the fence. Larry will contact Jim Coval and have him go out and check the fence again. Larry will ask Jim to put in writing what he finds.

Old Business:

- 1) Master plan review and discussion is postponed to our next meeting because not all Planning Commission members were present.
- 2) Rose land division application. The applicant requested action be taken per an email to Larry. A motion was made by Lindemann with support from Little that the proposed land division application for Rose be denied based on Jim Coval's assessment and Rodney and Don's report dated November 25, 2014 and the application dated 10-29-2014. A roll call vote was taken. Little-yes, Lindemann-yes and Huehl-yes. The motion passed.

New Business:

- 1) Gravel Pit annual reports.

A. American Aggregate (Levy) report was given by Dale Sawyer. No mining was done in the pit this past year. The site was flown over again this year. No topol was done. Trees were trimmed and the brush was mown. They continue to keep it mowed. The business is picking up but they do not know when they will be back into this site. The new monitoring wells that they agreed to put in will be done in 2015. Washtenaw County Road Commission was asked to take some of their material but the County declined. Dale was asked if Security still came out and checked the pit. He said they did but it was on a varied schedule. The berming at the scale house will be done in 2015.

B. Barrett Paving report was given by Jim Sauder. They removed 468,216 tons of material in 2014. No restoration was undertaken. They did not receive any complaints. Barrett is swapping all their assets in Michigan for assets in South Dakota and Wyoming. The sale to Stoneco will hopefully be finalized by February 2015. Jim will keep us informed about the sale and when it's to be finalized.

C. Stoneco report was given by Sue Hanf. At the Burmeister pit 613,579 tons of material was removed. Some reclamation was done by the West side of the plant. Complaints were received about trucks not stopping at Pleasant Lake Road. People who see this need to get a time of day and a description of the truck and then call Stoneco.

Reports-nothing

Audience Participation-nothing more

A motion was made by Huehl with support from Lindemann to adjourn the meeting. The motion passed. The meeting was adjourned at 9:30p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Carol Ann Huehl, secretary