

FREEDOM TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION  
Regular Meeting  
September 1, 2015

These minutes are not approved until our next meeting.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Lindemann called the meeting to order at 8:15 p.m.

Members present: Susan Ochs, Dan Schaible, Matt Little, Larry Lindemann, Carol Huehl and Planner Rodney Nanney.

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

A motion was made by Ochs with support from Little to dispense of the reading of last month's minutes and to accept them as presented. Motion passed.

Communications: Michigan Lake and Stream Association and Pleasant Lake Property Owners Association.

Audience Participation: Crystal Curtis wants to do two parcel splits and wondered how to go about it. We explained we have a sliding scale that we use and referred her to where to find information in our Zoning Ordinance.

#### Old Business

1) Barrett Paving permit transfer to Stoneco. Sue Hanf was present and said Stoneco was good with the changes. A motion was made by Schaible with support from Little to transfer Permit #1 from Barrett to Stoneco with addition of #46. A roll call vote was taken. Schaible - yes, Little - yes, Lindemann - yes, Ochs - yes and Huehl - yes. The motion passed.

2) John Mann land division. This did not meet zoning requirements so we denied it. He applied for a variance and got it. We have to go back through and approve the land division. A motion was made by Schaible with support from Lindemann to accept the division and new survey revised June 10, 2015. A roll call vote was taken. Schaible - yes, Little - yes, Lindemann - yes, Ochs - yes and Huehl - yes. The motion passed.

3) TR Transport, LLC conditional use permit is tabled until new information is submitted. Troy was informed we needed information 10 days prior to our next meeting date.

#### New Business

1) Land division Washtenaw County Parks. South of Gosling property the County owns 2 parcels and would like to do a boundary adjustment and add some acreage. The County is not changing the current use. Currently 189 acres is under the conditional use. This is tabled until our next meeting.

2) Set date for Fall Gravel Pit tour. We have just 2 pits to tour. The date was set for October 3, 2015 at 9:00 a.m. beginning at the Steinbach Road Pit. Larry will email Sue Hanf.

3) Discussion on Zoning Ordinance updates from Public Hearing. There were not many complaints about the 150' lot widths from the audience or Planning Commission members. 10 Acres or less requires 150' road frontage, anything more than 10 acres requires 300' road frontage. Scott Brown spoke about the Riparian access. He's been working with the Pleasant Lake Property Owner's Association (PLPOA). Pleasant Lake is considered a high quality lake in Michigan. The DNR lists Pleasant Lake as 1 in 5 lakes in Washtenaw County to have a public boat access site in the next 5 to 10 years. He stated that in working with another Township it didn't seem to matter what Ordinances were in place that they were going to do what they wanted. Lindemann made a motion with support from Ochs to recommend to the Township Board that they approve the current changes in draft dated 7-31-2015 and add to our current Zoning Ordinance along with change in item 6 to read date of March 12, 2002. A roll call vote was taken. Schaible-yes, Little-yes, Lindemann-yes, Ochs-yes and Huehl-yes. The motion passed.

Reports- Lindemann said he received a call about Medical marijuana. Apparently there are changes in the Federal law. Rodney suggests getting an attorneys direction on this.

Audience participation – nothing more.

Lindemann made a motion with support from Ochs to adjourn the meeting. The motion passed. The meeting was adjourned at 10:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Carol Ann Huehl, secretary