

Hope Township Planning Commission

Regular Meeting

Unapproved Minutes

August 5, 2015

Members Present

Diane Vaughan, Marge Kobisa, Bob Davis, Wendy Faber

Rodney Nanny was also present.

Meeting was called to order with the pledge of allegiance at 7pm

Minutes were read from the last meeting, May 6, 2015 which was a regular meeting.

The minutes were read and Bob make a motion to accept the minutes and Wendy 2nd the motion. All yes, motion passed.

Old Business

Regarding updating of the Master Plan Marge stated that she did not think that the township would get much input or interest at the annual township picnic. Rodney said that for a previous township he assisted with displays, maps and survey questions. Suggestion was made to make notice on the township web site that the Master Plan was going to be updated. Rodney will create an email account for input /suggestions/ideas for the Master Plan.

Went over the proposal from Rodney Nanney to update the Master Plan. A quote was presented to update the plan to bring it up to date. There were several options to consider also, including M-30 corridor development plan which the Planning Commission members agreed they would like included. Preparation of new future land use map may be considered. The existing map could be used for now also. Public participation at the annual picnic could be decided upon as the Planning Commission starts the Master Plan review/update but Rodney would like some time for preparation. Option D-Formal Visioning Workshop Event-Planning Commission decided would not be necessary. See quote attached-Rodney will also email to Andy Kobisa. Proposal to be presented to Township Board for their approval.

Rodney would make out a schedule for steps to be taken to complete updating the Master Plan. It is suggested that planning board meet more often to stay on track to get completed. First Wednesdays of the month work best for everyone.

Regarding Planned Developments the Township could ask for a performance guarantee to insure that basic infrastructure –roads-utilities, etc. are completed if a developer defaults. This needs to be put in the Zoning Ordinance. A contract would need to be made at the time with the Township Board and developer.

Wind and Solar ordinances to be addressed at a later time.

Marge, Wendy and Diane to attend MTA mini conference on Tuesday August 11th in Frankenmuth.

Need another board member for Planning Commission. Rodney will mention to a few people he knows. Meeting adjourned 8:30 pm Next meeting November 4th, 2015