

Hope Township Planning Commission

Regular Meeting , Unapproved Minutes

October 6, 2021

Meeting was called to order with the pledge of allegiance at 7:00pm

Members Present Wendy Faber, Nicole Kelly, Diane Vaughan, Brian Hawkins, Dan Mieske

Minutes were read from the June 2, 2021 meeting. Wendy made a motion to accept the minutes and Brian seconded the motion. Minutes approved.

Old Business: Nicole spoke to Rodney Nanney. He can no longer work with the Township

Bob Davis has stepped down from Township Board and Planning

Dan Mieske has taken over and will also attend Midland County Township Code Authority.

Chart from Edenville Township was looked over for minimum lot and setbacks. Chart is easy to read compared to ours in the Ordinance. Exceptions would be made for lake properties.

Storage containers use for dwelling. See Midland County?

Change Master Plan Commercial Zoning for Ken Bradfield's property-When Master Plan is reviewed and completed.

New Business:

Nicole called Spicer Group and spoke with Jenny. The Master Plan needs to be reviewed by November 2022. Estimate was given for between \$3000.00 and \$5000.00 to work on Master Plan and Ordinance.

They normally work under a contract.

Jenny will come to meeting in November to work with the board and do basic training. \$125.00 per hour.

Amendments need to be added into Ordinance when time for review and completion.

Dan has received telephone calls regarding growing marijuana in unoccupied housing.

Planning Board discussed allowing growing and processing facilities for marijuana in the Township.

Would need to be on Commercial property. And would bring income into the Township. Planning members all agreed it would be a good idea to allow it.

Section 3, page 3 of Ordinance regarding height of accessory structures is currently at 15 ft. Many properties have out buildings at greater height in the Township.

Discussed front setbacks of minimum of 25 ft. The road right of way has to be added in also. M-30 set back is 50ft.

RV Permit-Dan brought draft copy. Need to find what procedure is for temporary permit to use RV.

Do not need permit for above ground pool

Wendy would like to have frequently asked questions section on Web-Site along with a Search bar for certain terms.

Meeting dates-One probably in November with Jenny from Spicer to meet her and go over some basic questions.

Meeting adjourned at 8:54

Next regular meeting is scheduled for February 2, 2022

Next year scheduled meetings

February 2, 2022

April 6th, 2022

June 1st, 2022

August 3rd, 2022

September 7th 2022

October 5, 2022

Includes 2 extra meetings allowed by Township Board