

Perry Township Planning Commission Minutes – September 17, 2020

Members present: Beth Andrus, Mark Fraser, Larry Place, Joe Ocenasek, Duane Wood, & Sandra Michalek. Excused: Walter Saxton

Guest: Jill Schuppler

Fraser moved, second by Andrus to approve the agenda (adding sign at Chinese Restaurant & Master Plan). Carried

Andrus moved, second by Fraser to approve July 16 minutes. Carried

Township Report: Fraser reported the township board is using the money from the sale of the water property to apply for a grant with the city of Perry to extend the water line to the trucking business on Lansing Rd. & Bennett Dr. The grant is 80/20% & SEDP will help with 10% so we will need \$250,000. The application is due Nov. 30th. The grant needs more than one municipality to participate. The Fire Board is looking for property for a new fire hall.

Unfinished business: The Chinese Restaurant on Lansing Rd. has taken the sign down, but left the pole so they have been given an extension to comply.

The County Planning Commission voted to rezone the Slocum property on Winegar/M 52 to B3 for a storage unit facility. Andrus noted Saxton voted in opposition to this motion. She attended to Economic & Physical committee meeting today and they also approved the zoning. Next it will go the whole county board and they will approve. It was suggested we look into doing our own zoning. Andrus moved, second by Wood to have a meeting with the township board to consider doing our own zoning. Carried

New Business: The State wants to control the operations of sand & gravel pits. The townships won't have any say in the zoning as to denying a permit. Fraser moved, second by Wood to have the secretary send letters of State Sen. Frederick & State Rd. Barrett opposing that local units of government have no input in the approval of these operations under the proposed wording of Sen. Bill #431 &

House Bill # 5979 with cc to M.T.A. and the township board. Carried

Master Plan. Justin Horvath updated the plan within the last two years and has left a zip drive with Clerk Kelly Schmidt with the last version with updated information. Place will check with the clerk on this matter.

Andrus moved, second by Fraser to adjourn.

Sandra Michalek, Secretary