Portland Township Planning Commission Minutes

Wednesday, March 7, 2018

Cindy Selden called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Roll was taken by Sue Van Lente.

Present: Sue VanLente, Cindy Selden, Tony Dixon, Bill Stegenga, Marcy Lay, Hope Partlow

Absent: Ross Schneider

Approval of Minutes: Motion by Marcy Lay, seconded by Bill Stegenga to approve the minutes from the last meeting.

All were in favor.

Old Business:

Glass Masters Expansion:

Ted Platte still working with builder. As soon as he contacts Jeanne we will schedule a public hearing.

New Business:

Add Group Home Daycare to Zoning Ordinance:

Jeanne provided PC members with three different samples, along with the regulations from the State of Michigan. Motion by Hope Partlow to have Jeanne write language for our ordinance that is in line with the state, but will give us options for requiring fenced yards and/or child pickup/drop off requirements. Motion seconded by Marcy Lay. All were in favor. Further action will be taken at the June meeting.

Discuss Solar Farms

Jeanne provided the Pittsfield Township and Danby Township ordinances. Motion by Marcy Lay to use most of the language from Danby. Jeanne will rewrite to fit Portland Township's zoning districts. Motion was seconded by Hope Partlow. All were in favor. Further action will be taken at the June meeting.

Planning Commission Member Comments:

Marcy Lay has accepted the position on the ZBA that must be filled by a member of the Planning Commission.

Future Meetings: The next regular meeting will be held June 6 at 7:00 p.m. at the Township Hall.

Motion was made by Bill Stegenga, seconded by Tony Dixon to adjourn the meeting at 7:28 p.m. All were in favor.

Respectfully submitted by Sue Van Lente, Secretary.