

Rome Township Planning Commission - Meeting Minutes

Thursday 28 March 2019

I. Call to order:

Mike Griffith, Chairman called the Regular Meeting of the Planning Commission to order at 7:00 pm at the Rome

Township Hall – 9344 Forrister Road - Adrian, MI 49221. The Pledge of Allegiance followed.

II. Roll call:

Present: Leo Oswald, Mike Griffith, Jeff Elwell, Kevin Fisher, Pat Bournes, and Jack Griffes

Absent: none

III. Approval of minutes from last meeting:

Motion to approve 28 Feb 2019 minutes by Pat , 2nd by Jeff, motion carried

IV. Additions/Changes to Agenda: none

Motion to approve agenda by Kevin , 2nd by Pat . Motion carried.

V. Reports:

-Township Board – approved budget for 2019-2020

-Zoning Officer – happy with Maps which are now laminated - talked about a frame border to be screwed to wall in Township Hall. Complaint by a neighbor regarding Cooper Lawn Care (landscaping business owned by Jason Cooper) which was dumping brush, etc. and burning it - he has stopped burning and will be dumping brush elsewhere and moving the pile after frost restrictions are off the road. Cooper has put in an application for a Special Use Permit for property he leases. Property has a 3 car garage on it but no house - possibly built in 2006. He needs to bring in plan, etc. next meeting, then a Public Hearing will need to be held the month after that after all residents within 300 ft are notified even those in Dover Twp. // Working with violations she sent notices out to. Mud, etc. is legitimately stalling progress at present but as weather improves people are making plans to work on getting in compliance. // 45 days or May 30 is deadline date for getting Denny's and all other open corrective actions completed - this is to accommodate mud this time of year.

-Zoning Board of Appeals – nothing

-Planning Board Commission - nothing

VI. Order of Business:

-Solar Energy - discussion about sample ordinance - Jack brought up the need to look at any restriction as "would we want that restriction if we were doing it on our own property" - need to simplify - everyone to look over and see what they want taken out, left in, added, etc. so we can go over it next month.

-Nominations and Election of Officers: Jack for Secretary (unanimous); Jeff Elwell for Vice Chairman (unanimous); Mike Griffith for Chairman (unanimous)

VII. Public Comment: none

VIII. Adjournment:

Motion to adjourn @ approx. 8 pm by Jeff, 2nd by Pat - motion carried unanimously, meeting adjourned

Next Regular Meeting to be held 25 April 2019 @ 7:00 pm

Minutes submitted by: Jack Griffes, Secretary of Planning Commission

Minutes approved by: Mike Griffith, Chairman

