

FREEDOM TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING
June 6, 2006

Chairman Lindemann called the meeting to order at 7:34 p.m.

Members present: DeLoof, Lindemann, Miller, Ochs. Absent: Horning, Huehl, Tschiltz
Planner Don Pennington was present.

Minutes of the May 3, 2006 meeting were approved as amended. Motion by Miller, second by Lindemann. The corrections were to Old Business # 2 & # 4. The sub-committee worked on the “global” issues and variance request and not only the ridge. And the various maps and letters need to be incorporated in the site plan approval.

Communications: Letter from Mich. Aggregates Association listing state mandated licenses and their costs; Letter from Wash. Co. Board of Commissioners; Local Ag. Preservation Board Summit meeting; e-mail from C & T Materials regarding replacement of trees on berm; Letter from Jim Coval reporting hook-up of mobile home trailer for Dale Anderson; Letter from ASTI regarding C & T Materials; Robert Hayes response on 3 d modeling; Letter from David Linden regarding Barrett and letters sent to Sallee at DEQ; Workshop on Private Waste Water Systems.

Lengthy discussion followed regarding Private Waste Water Systems. Pennington strongly urged the Planning Commission to consider adopting zoning ordinance regarding such.

Audience Participation: Several residents raised concerns about gravel trucks being loaded and leaving before permitted times.

Old Business:

1. Update on Waterland & Am. Aggregate-Lindemann read a prepared report listing points of discussion and progress.
2. Wash. Co. Parks-Lindemann and DeLoof prepared a detailed list of info the C. Parks needs to include in their site plan and agreement for the Parker Road property.
3. Site Plan Review for Panhandle-four copies of site plan package have been received and signed. Lindemann will deliver them when invoices are settled.
4. Mining Ordinance Review-Att. Reading was unable to prepare a draft due to the many issues raised by commission members. Further discussion is needed and this will be on the schedule for the June 14 Work Session dedicated to the Mining Ordinance.
5. Update on Barrett Lake-Lindemann had just received the application from Barrett which had been submitted June 6, the day of the meeting. He had only a brief time to review but Barrett rep. Nelson Wesenberg made a few comments. The application was for a smaller area lake – 85 acres. There was no change in the depth requested – to 140 feet. The audience and Commission

received this news with dismay and the Commission determined its' next step would have Robert Hayes, the township hydrogeologist, review the application and report to the Planning Commission as soon as possible.

New Business:

1. Brian Dowd forgot about the meeting and plans to come to the next meeting.
2. Mary Light's letter-Commission members had just received the letter. Discussion with Mary Light led to the feeling that more information was needed regarding her proposal/school before the Commission could determine if this was a permitted or conditional use. A letter from the property owner and identification of the tax parcel would also be necessary.

Other:

1. It was decided to hold the July meeting on Wednesday July 5, 2006.
2. Lindemann reminded the Commission that the June 14 Work Session would begin at 7:00 p.m.
3. In a discussion of escrow accounts for the gravel companies it was determined that this subject needs serious attention in the Mining Ordinance revision. For the time being MOTION by Lindemann (second by DeLoof) to make the escrow account the same for all gravel companies at the minimum of \$5,000.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert Miller, secretary