

FREEDOM TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION

Regular Meeting

August 4, 2022

These minutes are not approved until our next meeting.

The Pledge of Allegiance was said.

Chairman Matt Little called the meeting to order at 7:45 p.m.

Members present: Karen Flahie, Matt Little, Mike Bossory, Dan Schaible and Susan Ochs.
Rodney Nanney, Planner and Township Supervisor Larry Lindemann were present.

Under New Business Item #2 Fence at Wolverine Pipeline was added to the agenda. A motion was made by Flahie with support from Bossory to adopt the agenda with the addition of item #2 under New Business. The motion passed.

A motion was made by Schaible with support from Bossory to dispense of reading the minutes and approve as presented. The motion passed.

Reports: Little had a discussion with Jim Coval about the proposed fence at Wolverine Pipeline on S Fletcher Road. He also mentioned property on Waters Road that had started building a pole barn and not finished it. Susan Ochs asked what days the recycling was picked up. Supervisor Lindemann said the cardboard was on Tuesdays and the rest when it was full. ZBA did not meet. Supervisor Lindemann said the landscaping around the Township Hall has been done. Rodney has been approved to make different application forms available online. There are mandatory changes for the fire department in regards to hours of training.

Audience Participation: Beth Heuser asked about a survey that was done and if there were results from it. Another person asked if we had heard of "The Picasso Estate" which is like time shares but isn't. No one on the Planning Commission had heard of it.

Old Business:

- 1) Horning Land Division /Re-Zoning. Rodney went over his report and what would need to happen after the re-zoning. Flahie commented that wouldn't you think when this construction started that the gravel and heavy equipment would ruin it as farmland. Jeff Horning responded that they had but didn't give it any more thought. Little said if we do have industrial space this is a good place for it. Flahie said this property is close to Pleasant Lake and is concerned about any future industrial use and the possibility of contaminating the lake. Little asked if there has been digging by the Pleasant Lake drain. The answer was they weren't sure. Schaible said he knows what pipelines do to farmland and from a use standpoint there doesn't seem a better use for it. Lindemann said Consumers is going to combine this parcel with parcels they have now. Little with support from Ochs made a motion to recommend approval of the proposed rezoning. See attached motion. A roll call vote was taken, Bossory-yes, Schaible-yes, Little-yes, Flahie-no and Ochs-yes. The motion passed. It now goes to the Township Board for their approval or denial and then if they approve get PA116 removed and then come back to the Planning Commission for the land division.

New Business:

- 1) Review of Lake District Article 3.0 & Ordinance 43-B. The house being built on Hieber road has caused this concern. By allowing the septic to go across the street you have allowed maximum use of the lot. The Planning Commission is still asking for ideas to be shared for any desired changes to the Lake District regulations.

- 2) Fence at Wolverine Pipeline on S. Fletcher Road. Rodney has looked at it and said they need to apply for an amendment to their site plan.

Communications: MTA, Daycare change in regards to numbers and a change to underground fuel storage tanks.

Audience Participation: nothing

Chairman Little adjourned the meeting at 9:37 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Carol Ann Huehl, Recording Secretary