

# FREEDOM TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION

Regular Meeting Minutes

November 13, 2019

**APPROVED**

## **THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:**

## **CALL TO ORDER:**

A meeting of the Freedom Township Planning Commission was called to order by Chairman Lindemann at 7:30pm.

## **ROLL CALL:**

Present: Little, Lindemann, Ochs and Schaible.  
Absence: Flahie  
Also, in Attendance: Planner Rodney Nanney, Project Manager Marcus McNamara, Supervisor Weidmeyer and residents.

## **ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA:**

A **MOTION** was made by Little supported by Ochs to approve the agenda as presented. **MOTION passed.**

## **APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES:**

A **MOTION** made by Little supported by Schaible to dispense with the reading of the approval of the regular meeting minutes of October 1, 2019 meeting with correction. **MOTION passed.**

**COMMUNICATIONS:** Michigan Township focus magazine, cover story is Senate bill 431 over gravel mining, MTA is opposing this bill. Consumer energy update, most of the work is still taking place in the buildings.

**AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION:** Resident ask for an update on the property owned by Pleasant Lake Inn.

## **OLD BUSINESS:**

**Stoneco amendment (renewal)** Pleasant Hills Pit 9 tabled until further information.

**Stoneco Burmeister** pit renewal application tabled.

**Lake District discussion** – public hearing set for Lake District Land use table on January 7<sup>th</sup>, 2020 at 7:30pm, Planning Commission regular meeting to follow.

**Alternate Energy discussion** the planning commission is going to look at solar and wind power alternate energy. At the January 7<sup>th</sup>, 2020, Planning Commission meeting a presentation on alternate energy.

**Zoning Map** Township board approved low tech zoning map.

## **NEW BUSINESS:**

Little made the **MOTION** that Stoneco/Burmeister, reclamation bond be set for 2020 for renewal at \$503,000 from the recommendation of the OHM report dated November 4, 2019, supported by Ochs. All Ayes **MOTION passed unanimously.**

Schaible made the **MOTION** that American Aggregates/Levy, reclamation bond be set for 2020 for renewal at \$489,600 from the recommendation of the OHM report dated November 4, 2019, supported by Ochs. All ayes **MOTION passed unanimously.**

Schaible made the **MOTION** that Stoneco/Pleasant Hills, reclamation bond be set for 2020 for renewal at \$431,000 from the recommendation of the OHM report dated November 4, 2019, supported by Ochs. All Ayes **MOTION passed unanimously.**

**REPORTS:** Lindemann went to the MTA on the road conference, attended presentations on how to improve the roads and capital improvement. Discussion about digitizing township records. Township board report: Airbnb and zoning map. Planner spoke about House bill 5119 no township employee can be on planning commission.

Question from a resident that someone can't sleep in an accessory building such as a finished garage, the answer is no they can't.

**AUDIENCE PARTICIPATON:** Pleasant Lake Inn property update, the health department did not approve it for a septic system; they could use the septic from the house to the east of the property if the house was demolished.

**PROPOSED BUSINESS ON NEXT AGENDA:** Calendar for 2020.

**ADJOURNMENT:** There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 10:03 PM.

Jennifer Alexa  
Recording Secretary