

FREEDOM TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION

Regular Meeting Minutes

June 4, 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 7:31pm.

ROLL CALL:

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

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA:

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

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES:

A **MOTION** made by Flahie supported by Ochs to dispense with the reading of the approval of the regular meeting minutes of May 7, 2019 meeting as presented. **MOTION passed.**

COMMUNICATIONS: There is an MTA team retreat in July, sections will include topics for Planning Commissions, Supervisors and Clerks. Member Flahie attended a seminar that was very informative, presented by MTA.

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION: There was a fire on Fletcher road, several bales of hay. The fire department had to use lake water for the fire and a residence expressed how valuable the lake is for pumping water. Resident ask about the Pleasant Lake Inn property, if a marina could go there. Scott from Wolverine pipeline was asking about going on the July 2nd agenda with a site plan for updating the Wolverine pipeline building on Fletcher Road.

OLD BUSINESS:

Stoneco amendment – Stoneco amendment (renewal) Pleasant Hills Pit 9 application tabled. Security and water samples were discussed.

NEW BUSINESS:

Stoneco Burmeister pit renewal application Planner Nanney and Project Manager McNamara went through some housekeeping items such as setbacks, on the application. There will be an additional 40 acres so the application will be a renewal/modification.

Stoneco Esch Rd. renewal application.

MOTION by Flahie supported by Ochs to approve the renewal of the Extraction Permit for the Stoneco – Esch Road site (148 acres, south of Pleasant Lake Road between Kothe Road and Esch Road in the NW1/4 of Section 30; parcels N-14-30-200-005, -006, -008 & -009), subject to the condition that a full set of updated base documents shall be required to be submitted to the Planning Commission for review and approval of a revised Extraction Permit at least 180 calendar days prior to the planned start of extraction operations on the site.

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Lindemann, Ochs, Schaible, Flahie

Nays: None

Absent: Little

Motion passed unanimously

REPORTS: Township board will be looking at Ordinance 32 at their next meeting. Solar farms in agriculture districts, utility companies are being encouraged to increase renewable energy by the State. The short-term rental bill might leave partial control to local government HB4046.

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATON: None

PROPOSED BUSINESS ON NEXT AGENDA: Wolverine pipeline building site plan. Stoneco renewal applications.

ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:03 PM.

Jennifer Alexa

Recording Secretary