

FREEDOM TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION
Regular Meeting Minutes
March 7, 2017

These minutes are not approved until our next meeting.

The Pledge of Allegiance was said.

Chairman Lindemann called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

Members Present: Matt Little, Karen Flahie, Larry Lindemann, Susan Ochs and Dan Schaible

A motion was made by Little and supported by Flahie to approve the agenda but moving the new business ahead the old business. The motion passed.

A motion was made by Flahie with support by Ochs to dispense with the reading of and approve the minutes of the Feb.7th meeting, The motion passed.

Audience participation:

- Jan Richards ask a question in regard to campers or trailers parked on vacant lots on the lake. She was told the Zoning Ordinance doesn't allow it on lots that do not have a principal dwelling and to see Sec. 11, item no. 3 of the Ordinance
- Nathan Riechwage asked about splitting a parcel of land .He was referred to the Zoning Ordinance, article 3, page 3 and 4.

Communications:

- Township Focus
- A letter to Schaible that Rover pipeline construction will commence on or about Feb.13, 2017

New Business:

- Herrst boundary adjustment. The application asked to combine lots 17, 23, 24 and 25 of the Sunrise Beach subdivision but the survey did not. Only lots 23, 24 and 25 were combined. Also with the survey was a combination of lots 5, 6 and 7. Herrst was not present to answer any question so the application was tabled until more information is provided

Old Business:

- Private Road Ordinance-The Commission reviewed the proposed Private Road Ordinance draft dated March 4, 2017. Lindemann asked about page 2, Sec. 4, paragraph C. After discussion it was decided to delete Paragraph C. The Commission discussed taking out shared driveways. Sec. 5. It was noted that the Township Board needs to look at the fee schedule as it applies to private roads.

Jan Richards asked how the Private Rd Ord. applies to existing private roads on the lake. The intent of the Ordinance is NOT to force the upgrade of existing private roads only proposed additions to or new roads.

Commissioners agreed that Sec. 8 , b, iii, Washtenaw Co, Road Comm. be deleted and Township Engineer added. Sec.16 needs to be reviewed by the township attorney. Table 1 needs to be clarified with the township engineer on the need for rip rap on slopes of 4.1% and steeper, and lastly, who would hold the public hearing for the ordinance when we are ready to present it.

- Consumer Site Plan- No new information,still tabled.

Reports:

Rodney went to a hearing in Lansing before the house energy committee that would allow a person to opt out the installation of smart meters.

Discussion on broadband and what our neighboring townships are doing.

Discussion on PLI clean up.

Next meeting April 4th 2017.

Agenda: Herrest boundary adjustment

Consumers site plan

Private road ordinance

Adjourned 9:20

Respectfully Dan Schaible