

FREEDOM TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION

Regular meeting minutes

January 4, 2022

These minutes are not approved until our next meeting.

The Pledge of Allegiance was said.

Chairman Little called the meeting to order at 7:46 p.m.

Members present: Dan Schaible, Susan Ochs, Matt Little, Karen Flahie and Mike Bossory.

Planner Rodney Nanney and Township Supervisor Larry Lindemann were also present.

A motion was made by Flahie with support from Bossory to adopt the agenda as presented. The motion passed.

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

Reports: There will be a boundary adjustment for Coval next month. Everbridge recommends signing back in to their notification system because of changes that have been made. Construction at the Consumer's plant will be going on for 24 hours a day. Nothing was reported from the Township representative. The ZBA did not meet. Rodney reported on the open meeting act. If a member has a medical condition they could be present by zoom. The short term rental bill has not gone anywhere. The sand and gravel one has also settled into a committee. Larry said the Board of Review was held. He said cost recovery ordinances were looked at. There is a need to find a Library Delegate for Manchester. The Board approved to have Rudy purchase a new clock for the Township Hall in memory of Dale Weidmayer. Dale served 44 years on the Township Board. Thank you to Rudy, Valisa and Valisa's daughters for getting notices out for the Public Hearing.

Audience participation: Nothing

Old Business:

- 1) Alternate energy zoning amendments discussion with Charles Gould, MSU Extension Bioenergy Educator. Mr. Gould had a very good presentation and then answered questions. He said to make an ordinance based on what citizens deem important. The solar ordinance should go along with the Master Plan. There is a planning and zoning guide for solar energy available online.

New Business:

- 1) Jessica Roberts's letter review was postponed to next meeting.
- 2) Election of Officers for Planning Commission. Flahie with support from Ochs nominated Matt Little for Chairman. The motion passed. Ochs with support from Flahie nominated Mike Bossory for Vice Chairman. The motion passed. Little with support from Flahie nominated Susan Ochs for secretary. The motion passed. The PC Officers for 2022 are Matt Little, Chairman, Mike Bossory, Vice Chairman and Susan Ochs, Secretary. Carol Ann Huehl was appointed by the Township Board to continue as Recording Secretary.
- 3) Start review of old conditional use permits. Lindemann was asked to get a list of conditional uses and then the review would start at a future meeting.

Communications: MTA, Legislative updates were covered in reports.

Audience participation: Nothing

Chairman Little adjourned the meeting at 10:04 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Carol Ann Huehl, Recording secretary

