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CASCADE TOWNSHIP
OLMSTED COUNTY
PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES
MAY 24, 2016

Call to Order 7:02 pm by Chairperson Dean Hegrenes

Roll Call Commission Members Present: Dean Hegrenes, Gary Sieck, David Derby, John Friederichs, Cheryl Adolphson

Pledge of Allegiance

Agenda Announcement and Review

Approval of Minutes The minutes from the April 19, 2016 meeting were briefly discussed. A motion to approve the minutes was made by Commissioner Sieck and seconded by Commissioner Friederichs. All voted in favor, and the motion passed.

Call to Audience no audience present

Continuing Business

- **Organizational Meeting Items Follow-up:** Planning Commission Officers for Upcoming Year (April / May 2016 – March 2017)--After a brief discussion, Commissioner Sieck moved to continue the current leadership (Chairperson—Hegrenes, Vice Chairperson—Friederichs, Scribe—Adolphson) until March 2017. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Derby. All voted in favor, and the motion passed.
- **Update From Town Board:** Commissioner Sieck briefly summarized the May 2, 2016 meeting: assigned rotation scheme for chair and vice chair, established parameters for the employee mutual respect policy, approved limited Facebook use, and approved audio system purchase. To avoid public meeting possibility, use clerk or assistant to communicate among commissioners. Depositions for quarry lawsuit are ongoing regarding observations of trucks hauling. There are concerns over facts, evidence and opinions about the grandfather issue of quarry activity.
- **Comments on Attendance at MAT Legal Short Course:** Commissioner Adolphson briefly summarized some of the topics presented during the April 21 sessions.
- **Update on Subdivision Ordinance Work:** Commissioner Derby described meetings with Roger Ihrke at the TCPA regarding updates to the Cascade Township subdivision ordinances: 50% “occupied” houses or 50% “built” houses regarding snow plowing service, plat issues for corner lots, for ditch slopes and toe mound septic systems. Examples of these ordinances will be requested from the TCPA. Limited subdivision areas close to Rochester are difficult for construction because of steeply sloped topography.
- **Update on CUP Review Process Status:** Commissioner Hegrenes presented the revised Proposal for CUP Reviews. After brief discussion, Commissioner Derby moved and Commissioner Friederichs seconded a motion for the proposal’s acceptance by the Planning Commission, pending a review by the TCPA, followed by submission to the Cascade Town Board for their suggestions and approval. All voted in favor, and the motion passed. Commissioner Hegrenes

- provided copies of the current Cascade CUPs to each member for their critiques before the next meeting. The wording “not transferable upon sale of the property” was discussed and will require legal clarification from MAT.

New Business

- No TCPA Items for May Meeting
- Next Meeting July 12, 2016, unless TCPA requests a June meeting

Round-the-Table

Second Call to Audience no audience present

Adjournment Motion made by Commissioner Sieck to adjourn, seconded by Commissioner Derby. All voted in favor, the motion passed, and the meeting adjourned at 9:06 pm.

Submitted: Cheryl Adolphson, Scribe

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Dean Hegrenes, Planning Commission
Chairperson