

Milton Township
Planning Commission
Approved Meeting Minutes
October 9, 2007

Members present: Geddes, Cole, Lockett, Chairman Stilson, McKimmy, Merillat.

Members absent: Hefferan

Also present: six audience members

The chairman called the meeting to order at 7 pm.

Approval of past minutes dated September 11, 2007:

Page 1, line five: add "it is to "

Page 3, Change date met to October 2

Motion to approve the minutes as corrected by McKimmy. Seconded by Cole. Motion carried.

Announcements:

Township board meeting date has been changed to November 8th. The next Planning Commission meeting date is changed to November 6th.

Approval of Agenda:

Motion to approve the agenda by Cole, seconded by Geddes. Motion carried.

Signs Subcommittee Report:

As given by Lockett. Committee has met twice since the last meeting. At one meeting the group met with Alan Hubbard of Pro Image Design. He was very helpful and informative and is gathering some scientific information about signage from the United States Sign Council. Terri Crandall-Kimball is also helping to give information about signage. The next meeting date is October 15th at 9:30am.

Ordinance Review Subcommittee:

As given by Geddes

The group is still working on the PUD chapter and can see light at the end of the tunnel. The next meeting is October 22nd and October 29th at 9:30am.

Wind Turbine Subcommittee Report:

As given by McKimmy

The initial meeting discussed the Township's current height limit of structures. The committee is looking at other townships' ordinances. The next meeting date is October 15th at 5:30 pm.

Lakeside 21 Inc. Subcommittee Report:

As given by Lockett and presented in her report dated October 4, 2007. Mr. Dennis Ireland has been approached by a business owner who would like to construct a boat repair facility on the Indian Road site south of the Ancient Mariner boat storage units. Mr. Ireland is considering requesting that property be rezoned from Manufacturing to Commercial. Cole said there would be five different zones in the area, but the uses are not conflicting. Mr. Ireland said that going through the ordinance, there is nothing regarding boat servicing as being an allowable use. The board discussed the original site plan for Ancient Mariner boat storage and concluded that the front part of the property was excluded from the site condo. McKimmy asked if there was any discussion of rezoning to Village zone. Lockett said Mr. Ireland did not feel that this was something that would work well within the village zone and the nature of it being partially residential. McKimmy said pushing the boundary of village out that way might be positive because of space concerns in the village zone. The next meeting date will be October 25th at 1 pm.

Creation of subcommittee for Cell Tower:

Bernard Yantz representing Lakeland Tower Leasing would like to put a cell tower on Larry Barty's property. It would be in the middle of his property. It would be a mono-pole. Geddes asked why another tower is needed, when there is already a cell tower in the area. Mr. Yantz said the new tower is needed for coverage issues. The sub will consist of McKimmy, Merrillat and Hefferan. The committee will meet on October 15 at 6:30 pm.

Meeting adjourned by order of the chair at 7:51 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Joseph Merrillat
Secretary