

Planning Commission

March 2, 2021

Wise Township Hall

7:00pm

Call to Order at 7:06 pm.

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call: Doris Methner, Pam O’Laughlin, Shannon Penny, Ken Brown, Richard Los Jr, Jason Dole

Absent:

Approval of Agenda: Motion to approve agenda made by Doris, 2<sup>nd</sup> Richard, all in favor, none opposed.

Approval of Minutes: November 10, 2020 minutes & Public Hearing Notes reviewed for approval

January 5, 2021 meeting minutes reviewed for approval

Motion to approve Minutes from both meetings made by Doris, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Richard, all in favor, none opposed.

**Open Forum:**

**Clarissa Filhart-9088 N. Leaton Rd, just here to stay appraised of the Wind Zoning**

**Tony Schoeder-6875 E. Stevenson Lake Rd, wondering if we can put the Planning Commission Meeting minutes posted on the new website. Doris indicated that yes, we can do that.**

**New Business:**

- **Building permits Reviewed-**
  - **Wise Outdoor Group, LLC, 9147 N. Chippewa Rd, Building 60’ x 180’ Polebarn, included engineered drawings due to being a commercial building to house recreational marijuana**
  - **Bill Cozat, 11597 Wise Rd, Demolition of building**
  - **Jake McConnell, 6199 E. Grass Lake Rd, Demolition of building**
- **Ordinance Discussion Items:**
  - **Campgrounds-Doris shared some recommended language. Pam suggested we consider looking at Isabella County language so it would be consistent with the existing Herrick Park Campground located within the township. All agreed. Doris will pull the Isabella county language.**
  - **Land Use/Future Land Use-just providing maps for each of these items to PC members**
  - **Nursery Set backs-Doris suggested we look at this. Discussion points lead to consideration of a nursery as an Agricultural operation and would fall under that specific zoning.**

**Old Business:**

- Zoning Ordinance updated and presented for review-changes recommended at last meeting have been incorporated into this iteration.

**Public Forum:**

- Guest: Don Hamilton, Lapham & Associates- Has reviewed our Ordinance and since this is what he does, he has a recommendation to rewrite the ordinance to clarify the discrepancies. He has also reviewed the Master Plan, and has made the recommendation that the Master Plan really needs to be

updated. He would spend a lot of time attending meetings, completing a survey, and reviewing a chapter at each monthly meeting. Asking the question, " Why do you want this in your ordinance, and how will you enforce it?" Has given a proposal to Doris and this will be presented to the Board on March 18th. Once approved, the First step is the Master Plan, then the ordinance follows from that.

- Discussion on the recreational marijuana grow houses that are cropping up across the township. A couple have been reported to the Sheriff for investigation
- Stacy Krohn-10529 Isabella County Line Rd-Property 40 acre parcel-20 in front/20 behind. Approx. 7-9 years ago, loggers came in to take out trees to dry out the land. She was told it is considered a wetland.
  - She was looking to learn if there was anything they can do. Pam gave her a contact name and number for Michigan's EGLE department to get some clarification.

Adjournment:

Next Meeting: April 6th at 7:00pm