

MINUTES OF THE 490TH REGULAR MEETING OF THE
WEBSTER TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION
WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 16, 2019

The Meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Chairperson Zamansky at the Township Hall and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

WTPC Members Present: Charles Estleman, Andrea Zamansky, John Westman, George Goodman, Tammy Koch, Kay Stremler, Paul Zalucha

Members Absent: None

Also Present: Martha Zeeb, Randy Raiford, John Kingsley, John Scharf, Brant Savander

I. Approval of Agenda: Charles Estleman moved, 2nd by George Goodman, to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

II. Approval of Minutes: Kay Stremler asked to change “Kim” to “Kay” in Item VII J and Paul Zalucha asked to change “Zalucuh” to “Zalucha” in item X. Kay Stremler moved, 2nd by Tammy Koch, to approve the minutes of the December 19, 2018 Webster Township Planning Commission meeting as amended. Motion carried.

III. Township Board Report:

A. John Westman reported that the Board held a public hearing on Recreational Marijuana Facilities and after due consideration adopted an ordinance to prohibit it.

B. The Board passed a resolution to ask for legal support from the Michigan Township Association, when the State Court of Appeals reviews the Nixon Case, on if the ZBA has the responsibility to interpret the Zoning Ordinance if the Zoning Ordinance is ambiguous or silent.

IV. Zoning Administrator Report: Randy Raiford reviewed his Zoning, Property Inspection and Code Enforcement Activity Report dated January 16, 2019 (attached).

A. He said our Bylaws state 4 hours of training is needed each year. He suggested a training session for 5pm on February 20, 2019 for 2 hours with John Enos. John Westman asked to add training on the Right to Farm. Andrea Zamansky asked for Master Plan processing training from John Enos.

B. He said the Road Commission voted to abandon Scully Road north of Walsh Road. The residents will need a private road agreement.

C. The Township is working on a design for a new fire hall. They will have monthly meetings and hope to have a smaller plan that meets our funding to make a decision. Kay Stremler asked if the Township will submit a site plan request for the Fire Hall. John Westman said yes if it goes that far.

V. PDR Report: John Westman said they hope to close on two parcels totaling 135 acres by the end of March.

VI. Comments from Citizens: None

VII. Small Wireless Communication Facility Deployment Act: Andrea Zamansky said it will be effective in March and it is eroding the authority of the Planning Commission. Our Township counsel has provided us with “Townships Got Run Over by Wireless Providers: Small Cell Towers are Coming to Townships” (attached). In the future we can review a potential Zoning Ordinance Amendment from our planner.

VIII. Andrea Zamansky verified that training time on February 20, 2019 at 5 pm was good for everyone.

IX. Public Comment: John Kingsley asked the Commissioners to review our Budget Request next month.

X. Informational Items: None

XI. Paul Zalucha moved, 2nd by George Goodman, to adjourn. Motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 7:30pm.

NEXT MEETING DATE: Regular Meeting, Wednesday, February 20, 2019 at 7:00 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Tammy Koch, Secretary

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copy to: J. Kingsley
B. Calleja
R. Raiford