

Three Oaks Township Planning Commission
Regular Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, November 27, 2018

The regular meeting of the Three Oaks Township Planning Commission was called to order at 7:00 pm by Chairman Snyder. Roll Call was taken with Snyder, Jackson, Seifert, German, Mitchell, Fatter and Kramer present. There were no absences.

There was no Public Comment.

Chairman Snyder presented the minutes of the Tuesday, October 23, 2018 regular meeting. A motion by Mitchell, supported by German, to approve the minutes. The motion was approved 7-0.

Old Business:

- Amendment to the Zoning Ordinance to add a Contractor Storage Yard to Agriculture-Rural District as a special land use.
 - The affidavit of publication has been received
 - The amendment will be forwarded to the county for comment.
 - It will then be forward to the township with a recommendation of approval.
 - If the township approves a public hearing will be set.

A motion by Mitchell, supported by Fatter to set a public hearing date of January 22 on the proposed amendment, subject to approval by the Township Board.

- Status of bylaws
 - The bylaws are at the Attorney's office for review.
 - Chairman Snyder has made numerous attempts to contact the attorney but has received no response.
- Master plan update
 - The masterplan has been reviewed for any needs of update. At this time, it was decided that no changes are necessary. A motion by Mitchell, supported by Kramer to continue with the current masterplan with no changes. Motion carried 7-0.

New Business:

- The training requirements for the planning commission was discussed. Each member has received a letter from George Mangold regarding the requirements.
 - All members must attend the Citizen Planner six-week Classroom Program or the Citizen Planner Online course during their term in office. Once this is completed, each member will be required to continue with at least one zoning related seminar during each term of office. The costs will be paid for by the township.
 - Seifert and Mitchell will attend the classroom program
 - Fatter, Snyder, Jackson and Kramer will attend the online program.
- JC German is resigning from the Planning Commission effective December 31, 2018.
- There was a discussion on the make-up of planning commissions, currently at 7 members. Mitchell was asked to discuss with the township board, the possibility of going back to a nine-members. With a deeper bench, the hope would be to have more members willing to step up into officer positions. The positions require a lot of time commitment and it is not best for the commission to have the same officers every year.
- Mitchell reported that there has been some discussion of marijuana issues. And we should expect the planning commission will need to address some of those issues in the future.

Having no other business to come before the Planning Commission, a motion for adjournment from Kramer, supported by Fatter. The motion was approved 7-0. Chairman Snyder adjourned the meeting at 7:42 pm. The next meeting is scheduled for, Tuesday January 22, 2018 at which will be election of officers.

Respectfully submitted,

Don Jackspn, Secretary