

Ford River Township Planning Commission  
Regular Meeting minutes  
Meeting date December 3, 2015

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Chairman Nelson.  
Present were: Mr. Ciminskie, Mr. Wellman, Mr. Tryan, Mr. Lippens  
Also in attendance: Four citizens and Supervisor Fountaine

**Public Hearing** – None

**Public Comment on agenda items** - none

**Minutes**

Planning Commission meeting minutes of November 5, 2015 were corrected to indicate that Mr. Lippens was not absent. Approved on a motion by Mr. Tryan, seconded by Mr. Ciminskie. Unanimous.

**Permits**

1. Joseph and Margaret Heribacka E4098 M-35 009-370-017-50 Fence
2. Sean and Brenda McAdam E4143 M-35 009-071-031-40 Fence

**Unfinished Business** –

The items being looked at that would require an ordinance change were discussed  
A Public Hearing will be need to be scheduled to consider the following items:

1. Definition of a Private Landing strip and ordinance requirements – **Definition and ordinance language acceptable**
2. Move Group Day Care Homes from 604 to 4XX (new 421) to **be** in a section separate from the General Standards for Special Uses. **OK**
3. Change the language in 606 from “appeal to the Township Board” to “appeal to the Zoning Board of Appeals. **OK**
4. Re-word the Commercial definition and intent. 313 Add definition of “Commercial Activity.” **Need Language from CUPPAD**
5. Changes to 412 “lot of record.” Change to “any new lot.” **OK change 20’ easement to 66’**
6. Review definitions for any that should be added or changed. (Attached garage, base site area #58 & #97) **Need CUPPAD language**
7. Solar power collectors, (Open Space Ratio) Special use permits required – Free standing solar collectors require permit. Definition of “free standing solar collectors.” **OK**
8. Change 305 to remove Zoning Board of Appeals – change to Planning Commission **OK**

-Wayne Caron has not responded to the registered letter sent concerning his violation of the issued zoning permit. The issue was sent to the Township attorney.

**New Business** –

-The question about quarries needs to wait until Rory Mattson can come in and talk to us about quarries. Both Rory and a rep. from CUPPAD will be at the January meeting.

The 2016 meeting dates were approved to be sent to the Township Board on a motion by Mr. Lippens seconded by Mr. Ciminskie dates are 1/7, 2/4, 3/3, 4/7, 8/4, 9/1, 10/6, 11/3, 12/1

Thanks was extended to Dennis Tryan for his years of service on the Planning Commission since this is his last meeting on the Board.

**Communications** – None

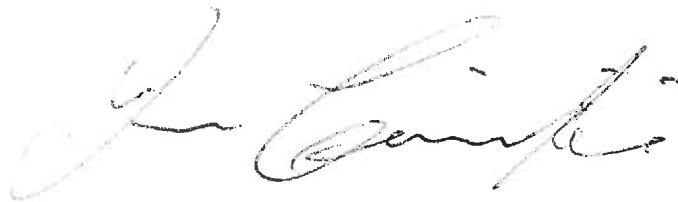
**Public Comment** –

- Could we ask CUPPAD for a list of the con-conforming roads in the Township? Supervisor Fountain will check.
- Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

Motion to adjourn by Mr. Ciminskie second by Mr. Tryan Unanimous.  
Adjourn 7:50.

**Parking Lot items**

Monitor / review the Master Plan. (Review in 2019)  
Marihuana Ordinance - review as law is clarified.  
Wind generators  
Create a list of non-conforming private roads.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "J. Ciminskie". The signature is written in dark ink on a white background.