

**Ford River Township Planning Commission
Regular Meeting Minutes
September 6, 2018**

Meeting was called to Order at 7:00 pm by Chairman Livingston and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Present: Mrs. Jaeger, Mr. Livingston, Mr. Wellman, Mr. Mineau. Absent: Dr. Kolinsky

Public Hearing - None

New Business

- Election of Officers

Chairman - Mrs. Jaeger made a motion to elect Mr. Livingston as Chairman, seconded by Mr. Mineau. Unanimous approval.

Vice Chairman - Mrs. Jaeger made a motion to elect Mr. Mineau as Vice Chairman, seconded by Mr. Wellman. Unanimous approval.

Public Comment on agenda items

- Mrs. Jaeger would like to add Conflict of interest declaration under New Business

Minutes

- Planning Commission meeting minutes from August 2, 2018 were approved with a motion by Mr. Wellman, seconded by Mr. Livingston. Unanimous approval.

Permits

- Z1025 Jeanne Millard, R1, E5119 State Hwy M-35
009-064-067-00, 4' High Vinyl Fence, 40' Length, 8/9/18
- Z1026 Keith Mineau, RR, 3053 14th Road
009-236-020-00, 40'x84' Pole Building, 8/20/18
- Z1027 Gerald Lopez, RR, E4868 Hwy M-35
009-065-037-00, 28'x32' Garage, 8/23/18

Unfinished Business

- Ordinance Review - Cottage Industry will be reviewed at the next meeting.
- Ten Acre Woods, LLC/Shann Special Use Permit

Mrs. Jaeger stated she needs to abstain from voting and discussion, due to a conflict of interest. She is a direct neighbor to Mr. Shann.

Supervisor Fontaine brought up that the township had an appeal request from Mr. Penokie. At the ZBA meeting, it was brought up that there were signatures missing from the application, that board didn't feel that it was a big deal because of other items in the packet. However, Supervisor Fontaine looked closer into the issue and gave it to the attorney for his advice. He advised the Planning Commission revoke Mr. Shann's permit and give him the opportunity to re-apply with the same

application, but add the missing signatures.

Mr. Shann stated he appreciates both the supervisor and boards efforts, but he would like to know if there is any other option. He has put money into his business since the permit was granted, and to shut him down would take money out of his pocket. He asked if he could apply for a new permit, leaving the old one in place. Supervisor Fontaine stated that per legal it would need to be revoked, and re-applied for.

Mr. Livingston made a motion to revoke the special use permit for Ten Acre Woods, LLC/Shann, so the other signatures can be in place on new application, Seconded by Mr. Mineau. Unanimous approval.

Ten Acres Woods LLC, will be shut down as of tonight, until the special use permit is re-applied for, and new permit would need to be granted.

New Business

- Mitch Tayler, R-1, Home Occupation One - The board feels as though Home Occupation should be cleaned up in the ordinance. They do not feel as though Mr. Taylor would need a special use permit to use his residence as a place to meet a couple clients a week. At this point in time, they would not approve him putting a sign at the road for his business.
- Meister's Store - The board did not see any issues with a Halloween party at the store.
- Planning & Zoning Training-CUPPAD in conjunction w/ MSU Extension - The board attended the training and felt it was very informative.
- Addition to future agendas - Conflict of Interest Declaration - Mrs. Jaeger would like to add this on the agenda in the future.

Communications - None

Public Comment on Non -- Agenda Items - None

A motion to adjourn was made by Mr. Livingston, seconded by Mr. Wellman. Unanimous approval. Meeting was adjourned at 7:48 pm.

Parking Lot Items

Ordinance Review

There is a discrepancy between 406-E-2 and 421-D-4

A motion was made by Mr. Lippens, seconded by Mr. Wellman to use the wording in section 421, all support structures must be set back from all property lines a distance equal to its height. Unanimous approval.



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