

Sandstone Charter Township Planning Commission Meeting Minutes April 9, 2019

ATTENDANCE: Chris Crisenbery, Blaine Goodrich, Greg Inosencio, Cheryl Marks, Peggy Eiler (6:08)

GUESTS: Keith Acker, Jack Davis plus 2 family members

Chairman Crisenbery called the meeting to order at 6:01 p.m. in the township hall. Blaine Goodrich moved to approve the agenda as printed. Cheryl Marks supported the motion. Motion passed. Greg Inosencio moved to approve the minutes of the February 5, 2019 meeting. Blaine Goodrich supported the motion. Motion passed.

PUBLIC COMMENT: Supervisor Acker gave a brief summary of his MTA conference. He asked about our setbacks on the new wind turbines zoning ordinance. We think it is stated in the new ordinance but will have to check the distance. Our consultant Chris Atkin perhaps can check. He has sent the updates electronically but we do not have printed copies in the written manual. Elsewhere in Michigan, there have been concerns with ice falling from the turbines when they spin. Within the next 10 years Consumers Energy projects 7% of energy will be generated this way. Resident Jack Davis has a rental property at 329 Elisabeth. He wants to put in a driveway where cut outs already exist but he needs to remove 2 trees. Ken Powers told him to come to our meeting but we suggested that he should go to today's Village of Parma meeting to check. OLD BUSINESS: No word on changes from Dr. Thornsberry on his proposed vet clinic. He is considering a 3-year renewal on his current location, not in our township. The township board has approved our recent zoning ordinance additions. Rolling Meadows has requested to the township board changing their road from private to public. They have one more Public Hearing in early May. A potential concern is the Phase 2 and 3 additions to the site condominium. The property would be basically landlocked. Perhaps this can be looked into when the master deed is redone by the Home Owners Association. Blaine commented about seeing some unsightly and messy drop boxes elsewhere in the state. He is glad we were proactive in having an ordinance now in place here in Sandstone.

NEW BUSINESS: Chris Crisenbery shared the brochure on the MTA Planning and Zoning conference May 30<sup>th</sup> at the Jackson Holiday Inn (near Meijers) from 4-8 p.m. Some of us will attend. Keith thinks the conference will be valuable for us.

DISCUSSION ITEMS: A question about subletting a residential dwelling on Benn Road between Sandstone and Springport) where 6-8 cars are parked and multiple families seem to be living. Our next meeting is June 4, 2019.

Cheryl Marks moved to adjourn the meeting at 6:35 p.m. Greg Inosencio supported the motion. Motion passed.

Respectfully submitted,

Cheryl Marks-Secretary