

WHITEWATER TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION
MINUTES FOR REGULAR MEETING, March 5, 2014

Call to Order at 7 p.m.

Roll Call: Bowerman, Dean, Lawson, Link, Lyons, Mangus (late), Miller

Also in attendance: Zoning Administrator, Habedank; Recording Secretary, MacLean

Set/Adjust Agenda: Set

Approval of Minutes: February 5, 2014, Regular Meeting Minutes: Motion to approve by Lyons, second by Bowerman. All in favor. Motion carried.

Declaration of Conflict of Interest None

Public Comment: None

Public Hearing: None

Reports:

Correspondence: None

Zoning Administrator Report, Habedank: Medical Marijuana, FEMA & Road Ordinance to be addressed in the future.

Township Board Representative, Lawson: Budget work at the Board. Shared the information received regarding the PC Budget.

Chair, Dean: Discussion with Ron about some changes in timing, approximately 6-8 weeks longer than originally discussed here. The preliminary MP Draft will likely get on a Board agenda in April.

Old Business:

1. Time Table: If things go as it looks like right now we will likely get it back in May with their preliminary thoughts on text. PC would work on the charts, maps, layout, etc. in the mean time. Would need to distribute in June in order to be available for public hearing before the “snow birds” leave for the winter (August/September). Need to be prepared for a go in May. ZA to send another “Intent to Plan” to appropriate entities as soon as possible.
2. Special Meetings: can schedule as necessary, possibly April and May.
3. Appendix, charts and maps: Discussion regarding map colors. GIS maps will make a difference.
4. Photos (move to the end of New Business.)

New Business:

1. Budget: Discussion on specific line items. Approved as presented.
2. Com-Plan: Postcard announcing the Public Hearing or an executive summary, separate from tax bill. Take advantage of the newsletters, request e-mails in the April Newsletter. Link will work on the executive summary, with a draft review in April. April newsletter (Mickey), May e-news letter, July newsletter with taxes, post notices to ER News and Record Eagle, get the registered voter list from the county and property list – look into options for combining and de-duping the list (ZA). Website has a running Draft MP, include the executive summary as a separate document on the web, add a notice on the home page and tentative schedule, possible feed back line and / or e-mail link (Kim with Clerk). Include with the Draft MP a cover letter indicating PC recommends that the Board look into a professional review for additional credibility – CONSENSUS.
3. Next Meeting April 2, 2014: Old Business:
New Business: Discussion on Private Road

Public Comment – None

Commission Discussion/Comments: None

Adjournment: Motion by Lyons, second Magnus. All in favor. 9:00 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted
Lois MacLean,
Recording Secretary