

WHITEWATER TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION  
MINUTES FOR SPECIAL MEETING  
April 26, 2017

Call to Order at 7:00 p.m.

Roll Call: Dean, Hooper, Lawson, Link, Mangus

Absent: Link With two vacancies on the commission

Also in attendance: Recording Secretary MacLean, Zoning Administrator Chris Weinzapfel, Kevin McElyea

Set / Adjust Agenda: Set

Declaration of Conflict of Interest:

Public Comment: None.

Public Hearing: None.

Approval of Minutes: N/A

Correspondence:

Reports:

*Zoning Administrator Report, Weinzapfel:* Lots of questions coming—it's picking up. Event Barns on agenda in May.

*Chair's Report, Mangus:* Have been going through the Zoning Ordinance (ZO) with the Clerk. The county only requests to look at the changes not a whole review as we are making changes.

*Township Board Rep., Lawson:* Scott Carter granted request. ZO #40, regarding emergency vehicle standards. June 6, special meeting for opening of bids for the building. Requested application info of those interested in PC and ZBA.

*ZBA Representative, Hooper:* No meetings.

*Committee Reports:* None.

*Additional Items:* None.

Unfinished Business:

1. Article 2, Interpretations – including Rules of Interpretation. Goal is to straighten out the previous notices posted. 2.10 language was not noticed properly – stick with the original wording, no reference to the Master Plan. Discussion of points 1 – 8 (in the original ordinance it is presented in paragraph format).  
*Consensus on purposes.*  
Platting lots and splitting land discussion, standard land division. This should be in a section all by itself rather than in the Interpretations section. Will bring this back. Keeping the first sentence and clarifying the second.  
Rules of Interpretation discussion. Will bring this back.
2. Proposed Format for all districts discussion. Format: Title, intent, standards, etc., for consistency.  
*Consensus to use a standard format throughout.*
3. First review of Article 8, Commercial District. Lacks permitted uses and special uses designations.  
Changes and Discussion:  
Permitted use applications reviewed and handled through the Zoning Administrator (ZA) and can be referred to the Planning Commission (PC) if necessary. Special use applications reviewed by ZA and PC.  
Basic format and language changes.  
Permitted use and Special use designations. Each member to go through the individual items-use, special use or not at all.
4. First review Article 8, Village – postpone.
5. Discuss timetable and public outreach regarding review of districts. Commercial, Industrial & Village together for public hearing.
6. Continue review of Article 3, Definitions including additions – postpone.

New Business: None

Next Regular Meeting May 3, 2017, agenda items:

Public Comment:

Commission Discussion/Comments: Appreciate Kim's work in getting the information together.

Continuing Education:

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APPROVED

Adjournment: 9: 05 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted  
Lois MacLean,  
Recording Secretary