

WHITEWATER TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION
MINUTES FOR REGULAR MEETING
September 2, 2020

Call to Order at 7:02 p.m.

Roll Call: Dean, Hooper, Jacobson, Lawson, Mangus, Wroubel

Absent: Savage

Also in attendance: Recording Secretary MacLean; Zoning Administrator Robert Hall via Zoom

Meeting via Zoom 4 participants

Set / Adjust Agenda: Set

Declaration of Conflict of Interest: None.

Public Comment: None

Public Hearing: None

Approval of Minutes:

MOTION by Lawson, second by Jacobson to approve July 1, 2020, Meeting Minutes with changes.

ROLL CALL: Dean-yes; Hooper-yes; Jacobson-yes; Lawson-yes; Mangus-yes; Wroubel-yes, Savage-NA. All in favor.
Motion carried.

Correspondence: Items of correspondence included in the packet.

1. East Bay Township Intent to Amend Master Plan.

Reports:

Zoning Administrator Report Hall: No word on what is happening with the property that has been cleared on M72.

It is laid out in the zoning ordinance how the PC is to make changes to ordinances. There are statutory processes that need to be followed. Anyone has the option to request a zoning change. The PC must address the request.

Zoning office has been receiving inquiries regarding short term rentals (STR). If STRs are allowed they do not have to be allowed in all districts.

Chair's Report, Mangus: Introduce Carl Wroubel, new PC member. Retired, year-round resident.

Township Board Rep., Lawson: Nothing to share today.

ZBA Representative, Hooper: No meetings.

Committee Reports: None.

Additional Items: None.

Unfinished Business

1. RC Survey evaluation of timing and direction: In the current conditions we cannot accommodate people in the meetings. It is bad timing right now and we don't want the perception to be that it is being addressed without the ability to have the public input and attendance.

Re-evaluate the survey and gathering of input first of the year.

Motion by Lawson, second by Jacobson to table the subject of the RC District Survey and Review until the January 2021 meeting to re-evaluate and set schedule at that time.

Roll call vote: Hooper-yes; Jacobson-yes; Lawson-yes; Mangus-yes; Wroubel-yes, Savage-NA; Dean-yes.
All in favor. Motion carried.

2. AG District Review – No review of text. Postpone.
3. Article 28, Condominium Regulation Review based on attorney feedback: Be consistent with verbiage. Run through the suggested changes from the attorney. Consensus on changes. Mangus will make the discussed changes and bring it back next month for review and discussion. If in agreement at that point will look at scheduling a public hearing for the November meeting.
4. Master Plan (MP) Update: Savage recommends leaving history and location the same.
Run through recommendations provided by Mangus.
Run through recommendations provided by Hooper.
Future planning of the MP should start in Part 3.
Rearrangement of the sections of the MP. Example: Current part 5 is the summary of the existing land use, indicating the way things are and make it part 6 and address changes.

Dean and Jacobson's sections will be presented next month.
Demographics, economic base needs more information - Lawson
Natural features, topography, soils, etc. - Wroubel

New Business:

1. None

Next Regular Meeting is scheduled for October 7, 2020.

Agenda (per notes of current and previous meetings): Article 28, Condominium Regulation Review, Master Plan update and (as requested by the township board) evaluate timing of addressing the subject of Event Barns.

Public Comment:

In-person: None

Via Zoom: None

Commission Discussion/Comments: None

Continuing Education: None.

Adjournment: 8:57 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted
Lois MacLean,
Recording Secretary