

Hadley Township Planning Commission

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August 21, 2018

Meeting was called to order by Chairman Shoemaker at 7:00 p.m.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Roll call of members present: David Hinton, Glenn Walton, Al Keahl, Ron Shoemaker, Kim Hill, Elwyn Brandt and Robert Hartwig.

There was 1 member of the public present.

Approval of Agenda:

Commissioner Hill moved to approve the agenda, second by Commissioner Walton. Motion carried.

Approval of Minutes:

Commissioner Hartwig moved to approve minutes, second by Commissioner Hinton. Motion carried.

Old Business:

1) Current Projects

- i. Outdoor Furnace – Chairman Shoemaker discussed the changes to the policy that had been suggested and said that the Township Attorney had agreed to the changes that were made. Commissioner Brandt moved that the proposed amendments be approved and the policy be sent to the Township Board for review and possible approval, second by Commissioner Hinton. Motion carried.
- ii. Solar Energy – tabled until next month

- iii. Wind Energy – Chairman Shoemaker distributed a copy of definitions that need to be added to our current definitions. Also we need to add a clause to our general provisions. He also distributed copies of other townships zoning ordinances covering wind energy. He itemized areas that we need to discuss on a separate sheet of paper to guide us through creating our ordinance. Chairman Shoemaker asked everyone to read through the material he has distributed tonight and come to our next meeting prepared to discuss our next step.

New Business

- 1) ZBA – No meeting, no report.
- 2) Township Board Report – Commissioner Hartwig reported about ongoing road projects. He stated that there is a person interested in taking down the dangerous building on Brauer road. The ongoing donkey issue was discussed – the biggest issue is noise. Otherwise the owners are in compliance with everything else.
- 3) Correspondence – Lapeer Township is currently updating their master plan. They will send us a copy when it is complete.

Public Time – no comments.

Commissioner Comments – Commissioner Brandt mentioned that he enjoyed the topics at the recent planning meeting put on by the MTA in Frankenmuth. Commissioners Hill, Keahl and Shoemaker echoed his sentiment. He also mentioned that he would like to see the 4 way intersection in town cleaned up a bit – it is looking a bit worn.

Chairman Shoemaker noted that the property on Brigham road is being addressed.

Commissioner Walton mentioned that a recent article in MI Farm News covered a township that recently had to shut down a “wedding barn” as it was a commercial venture in an agricultural zone. Something to keep in mind as we were recently approached about that type of business.

Adjourn

Commissioner Hartwig moved to adjourn the meeting, Commissioner Brandt second. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:13 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Kimberly S Hill