

**Schoolcraft Township Planning Commission**  
Proposed Minutes of the meeting held on Monday, June 3, 2019

A meeting of the Schoolcraft Township Planning Commission was held on Monday, June 3, 2019, at the Schoolcraft Township Hall commencing at 6:03 pm.

MEMBERS PRESENT: David Aubry  
Charles Bibart  
Greg Feldmeier  
Eric Jasiak  
Barry Visel

MEMBERS ABSENT: Dave Reno  
Rich Bailey

OTHER ATTENDEES: Supervisor Ulsh  
Administrator Hamilton  
Four other attendees

Chairman Visel opened the meeting at 6:03 pm.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA:** A motion was made by Dave Aubry with support from Greg Feldmeier to approve the agenda as issued. **Motion carried 5-0**

**MINUTES OF PRIOR MEETING:**

A motion was made by Greg Feldmeier and supported by Eric Jasiak to approve the minutes of the meeting, with the deletion of a rogue “that” under **REPORT FROM THE TOWNSHIP BOARD. Motion carried 4-0-1(abstention)**

**CITIZEN TIME ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS:** No items were discussed.

**NEW BUSINESS**

- a. Carriage House Discussion (discussion followed items b. and c.)

Administrator Hamilton presented some possible “boiler plate” language dealing with “second dwellings” (carriage houses) in the township for discussion purposes. Discussion centered around the pluses and minuses of specific and general application of such ordinance changes. In general, Commissioners were not in favor of proceeding in this direction as our current ordinance provides different ways to meet the expressed purpose of “second dwellings” proposition and enforcement would be very difficult for the Township.

- b. S. Jayanetti Site Plan Review (discussion followed item c.)

Sathrusit Jayanetti was present to discuss the proposed conversion of his current car sales facility on U.S. 131 to a restaurant and bar. Discussion centered primarily around parking spaces, acceptable parking surfaces, and future signage. Parking requirements depend on

facility capacity, which is to be determined. The proposed site plan included asphalt and crushed asphalt parking surfaces. Permitting crushed asphalt parking surfaces would require an ordinance change.

As the proposed plan generally met all other requirements for approval (24.6), a motion was made by Dave Aubry with support from Greg Feldmeier to approve the site plan pending finalization of the number of parking spaces and signage (to be reviewed and approved by Administrator Hamilton) and pending an update of the ordinance requirements for parking surfaces. **Motion carried 5-0**

c. S. Jayanetti Special Land Use

Chairman Visel opened the public hearing at 6:08 pm to consider the Special Land Use proposal of Sathrusit Jayanetti to use his U.S. 131 facility a restaurant and bar. The general (23.3) and specific (23.7 Item 15) standards for approval were reviewed along with the parking spaces and parking surfaces discussed above.

A motion was made by Dave Aubry with support from Greg Feldmeier to close the public hearing at 6:43 pm. **Motion carried 5-0**

As the proposal met the general and specific standards for approval, a motion was made Dave Aubry with support from Eric Jasiak to approve the special land use application. **Motion carried 5-0**

**OLD BUSINESS:** No items were discussed.

**REPORT FROM THE TOWNSHIP BOARD:** No items were discussed.

**REPORT FROM THE ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS:** No items were discussed.

**MEMBER'S TIME AND TOWNSHIP ATTORNEY TIME:** Administrator Hamilton discussed the pros and cons of allowing properties under single ownership but divided by a road to be considered by the township as "contiguous properties"

Eric Jasiak updated the commission on his attendance of the Alternative Energy Workshop the possible impacts of such land uses on the township.

With no further business, a motion to adjourn was made by Dave Aubry with support from Greg Feldmeier. **Motion carried 5-0**

Respectfully Submitted  
Charles Bibart  
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