Schoolcraft Township Planning Commission

Minutes of the meeting held on Monday, June 3, 2013

A meeting of the Schoolcraft Township Planning Commission was held on Monday, June 3, 2013, at the Schoolcraft Township Hall commencing at 7:00 pm.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

David Aubry Charles Bibart Ken Hovenkamp Len Jaworski Barry Visel

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Ron Avis Dave Reno

OTHER ATTENDEES:

Attorney Rolfe Supervisor Ulsh Donnie Yant

Chairman Visel opened the meeting at 7:00 pm.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

A motion was made by Dave Aubry with support from Ken Hovenkamp to approve the agenda as issued.

Motion carried 5-0

MINUTES OF PRIOR MEETING:

A motion was made by Len Jaworski and supported by Dave Aubry to approve the minutes of the April 1, 2013 meeting, without correction.

Motion carried 5-0

CITIZEN TIME ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS:

No items were discussed.

NEW BUSINESS

a. Public Hearing to discuss proposed amendments of Schoolcraft Township Zoning Ordinance.

Chairman Visel opened the public hearing at 7:05 pm for discussion of several proposed amendments of the Schoolcraft Township Zoning Ordinance designed to better achieve alignment between the Ordinance text and our Master Plan. As no residents attended the Public Hearing to comment on the noticed topic, the Public Hearing was closed at 7:38 pm.

A motion was made Len Jaworski and supported by Dave Aubry to recommend to the Township Board that they consider and approve the proposed amendments.

Motion carried 5-0

During subsequent Commission discussion two issues were identified for consideration at our next meeting: height limitations for accessory buildings and privacy fencing along and across front yards.

b. Site Plan Review: Prime Time Sports (on Kasten complex)

Donnie Yant presented a comprehensive run down of his plans to move his baseball/softball practice facility from Vicksburg to building A of the Kasten complex on U.S. 131.

As the new use for the site involved no alterations to the building and the proposed use is allowed in the US-131 District, a motion to approve the site plan was made by Charles Bibart with support from Ken Hovenkamp.

Motion carried 5-0

OLD BUSINESS

No items were discussed.

REPORT FROM THE TOWNSHIP BOARD

Ken Hovenkamp updated the Commission on activities of the Board including approval of new operating hours for the Township Office. The office will now be open over the lunch hour Monday through Thursday. It will be closed all day on Friday.

REPORT FROM THE ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

No report was received.

MEMBER'S TIME AND TOWNSHIP ATTORNEY TIME

Chairman Visel reminded Commission members that we need to review our Master Plan to determine if any adjustments are indicated. This 5 year review is targeted by August 2013.

With no further business, Chairman Visel adjourned the meeting at 8:20 pm.

Respectfully Submitted
Charles Bibart
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