

CHARLESTON TOWNSHIP  
PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES

A regular meeting of the Planning Commission was held at the Township Hall on April 17, 2018.

CALL TO ORDER: Kramer called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

ROLL CALL OF MEMBERS: Roll was called and members present were: Tim Vosburg, Walt Kohnke, Don Kramer, Joan Orman, Art Samson and Brian Moravek. Absent: Sue Balkema. Also present were Citizens Jeff Kidney and Brendan Ragotzy and Supervisor Jerry VanderRoest.

ADOPTION OF PROPOSED AGENDA: VanderRoest asked to be added to the agenda. Samson moved to approve the agenda as modified with the addition of VanderRoest. Kohnke seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

VanderRoest provided an update on several ongoing Township efforts that he thought should be considered in the Planning Commissions (PC) deliberations on the Land Use Plan.

- Jerry had a positive meeting with Eaton and Target regarding water rates and efforts to lessen the cost burden on the Township's general fund.
- Jerry intends on meeting with Georgia Pacific about the future of the 40<sup>th</sup> Street landfill and is exploring a brownfield site designation.

DISPOSITION OF MARCH 20, 2018 MEETING MINUTES: Samson moved to approve the minutes. Konke seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

PRELIMINARY DISCUSSIONS WITH JEFF KIDNEY, NPK CONTRACTING. Jeff Kidney recently purchased property at the corner of 40<sup>th</sup>st and East L Ave and would like it rezoned so that a truck maintenance/wash facility could be constructed. However, Kidney indicated that since the Township's Land Use Plan is in process of being reviewed he intended on suspending his rezoning application.

PRELIMINARY DISCUSSIONS WITH BRENDAN RAGOTZY, BARN THEATRE Brendan Ragotzy wanted the PC to be aware that he was exploring zoning requirements for property that he owns adjacent to Barn Theater on which he would like to construct a gazebo and storage area to support Barn Theater operations. After discussions about the rezoning process, Ragotzy indicated that he needed to do more research.

CONTINUED DISCUSSION OF LAND USE PLAN UPDATE: A current list of tentative changes to the Land Use Plan was distributed for review as well as a black and white map of the Township that will aid in completing the review process. The PC continued discussions on various sections but mainly focused on the properties addressed by Kidney and Ragotzy.

CITIZENS' TIME: Mr Ragotzy thanked the commission for listening to what he had to say.

MEMBERS' TIME: No member comments.

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned at 8:26 upon motion by Samson. Seconded by Orman. Motion passed unanimously.

*Prepared 4/18/18 by Brian Moravek, secretary*