

**CHARLESTON TOWNSHIP
PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES
(February 19, 2019)**

A regular meeting of the Planning Commission (PC) was held at the Township Hall on February 19, 2019.

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, Sue Balkema, Don Kramer, Joan Orman, Art Samson and Brian Moravek. Member absent: None. Also present were Hunter Dodge (Norse Brewery/Meadery), Jeff Kidney (NRK Contracting), Penelope and Brenan Ragotzy (Barn Theater), Kristen Kubicek, Dale Kubicek, Samantha Rickard, Steven Lee Burrgh, Alice Berger and Charleston Township Supervisor Jerry VanderRoest.

ADOPTION OF PROPOSED AGENDA: Balkema moved to approve the agenda. Kohnke seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

DISPOSITION OF JANUARY 15, 2019 MINUTES: Balkema moved to approve the minutes. Orman seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

PUBLIC HEARING/MEETING. Zoning Ordinance text amendments pertaining to summer stock theater uses on application of Brendan Ragotzy/Barn Theater:

Kramer read the text of the tentative proposed changes to the Ordinance pertaining to the Summer Stock Theater amendment.

At 7:13, Kramer opened the Public Hearing to take comment on the proposed changes to the Ordinance that were just read. Kristen Kubick indicated that she thought the improvements to the Barn Theater that would be allowed by the proposed changes to the Ordinance would be good for the Township. No other comments were offered and Kramer closed the Public Hearing at 7:18. Samson moved to approve the tentative text for Summer Stock Theater and forward to the Township Board for adoption. Vosburg seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

PROPOSED FUTURE LAND USE MAP (FLUM) AMENDMENTS. NRK Contracting application and the three parcels on application of Midco/Schmitt

Balkema, "I make a motion to commence the procedure to amend the 2005 Charleston Township Land Use Plan Future Land Use Map to change the planning classification of parcel no. 08-29-226-011 from Rural Residential Estates to Light Industrial, and to change the planning classification of the following three parcels from Agriculture 2 to Light Industrial: 08-28-101-010, 08-28-126-020 and 08-28-126-011."

Kramer indicated that it is important to note that this action is not substantively approving any aspect of the proposed Future land Use Map amendments at this time. The Planning Commission action is the step required to formally initiate the amendment process on application of NRK Contracting and Midco/Schmitt, respectively. Balkema moved to approve, Kohnke seconded and the motion was adopted unanimously and will be sent to Township Board for appropriate action.

CONTINUED DISCUSSION OF LAND USE PLAN (LUP) UPDATE: The PC intended on reviewing the draft LUP; however, as a result of technical issues that prevented the PC from projecting Township maps on the video monitor, the draft LUP review was postponed until the next meeting.

CITIZENS' TIME:

Hunter Dodge indicated that the plans for opening a brewery/meadery were moving forward and that the community outreach efforts that they have initiated appear to be well received.

MEMBERS' TIME: No member comments.

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned at 8:29 pm upon motion by Samson. Seconded by Balkema. Motion passed unanimously.

Prepared 2/20/19 by Brian Moravek, secretary