

ISABELLA COUNTY
PLANNING COMMISSION

May 11, 2017

A Regular Meeting of the Isabella County Planning Commission was held on May 11, 2017 in Room 225 of the Isabella County Building, 200 North Main Street, Mt. Pleasant, Michigan.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Jeremy Murphy, Gordon Gilchrist, Tim O'Neil, Jim Horton, Kelly Bean, Ann Silker

MEMBERS ABSENT: Nancy White, Phillip Vogel, Bob Campbell

SUPPORT STAFF PRESENT: Ray Johnson, Zoning Administrator
Kim Kennedy, Recording Secretary

The meeting was called to order by Mr. Bean at 7:00 pm.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by the commission.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Mr. Bean requested that the agenda be approved with an amended addition of # 9 Union Township amendments review.

A motion was made by Mr. Murphy supported by Mr. Horton to approve the amended agenda.

Yes: Jeremy Murphy, Gordon Gilchrist, Tim O'Neil, Jim Horton, Kelly Bean, Ann Silker

No: None

Motion carried

PREVIOUS MINUTES

Minutes of the April 2017 regular meeting were circulated to the commission prior to the meeting for their review.

A motion was made by Mr. Gilchrist supported by Mr. Murphy to approve the minutes as presented.

Yes: Jeremy Murphy, Gordon Gilchrist, Tim O'Neil, Jim Horton, Kelly Bean, Ann Silker

No: None

Motion carried

LIAISON REPORTS

Zoning Board of Appeals – None

Parks & Recreation – Mr. Murphy reported that the Parks meeting went over opening day and that the Coldwater Lake playground is under construction.

Board of Commissioners – Mr. Horton stated that the Board had a meeting going over new state laws and that the E.coli committee will be having a detailed report from Central Michigan Health Department covering Point of Sale inspections.

TOWNSHIP CONCERNS

Denver – none

Gilmore - none

PUBLIC COMMENT – Mrs. Jackie Curtis informed the board of an upcoming event Older Michiganders trip to the capital on May 17, 2017.

SPR#17-05 – Barkman Apiaries LLC – Sherman Township

Mr. Johnson stated that an application was received by Mr. Daniel Jost. The applicant is modifying a previously approved site plan. Please recall from the November 2016 Planning Commission meeting, Barkman Apiaries was approved for a special use permit to include agricultural labor housing on their farm in Sherman Township. The site plan approved at that time included 4 units for labor housing attached to the main building.

Mr. Johnson informed the board that Daniel Jost is requesting a re-design of the agricultural labor housing. The current proposal before you includes an 80 x 86 ft area north of the new building in which 4 mobile homes would be installed for the agricultural labor housing.

Mr. Johnson explained that the “shop” building being proposed with a setback of 71 feet where previously it was proposed to be at 264 ft from the front lot line. This new building also appears to meet all setback and dimensional requirements of the ordinance.

Board discussion took place.

A motion was made by Mr. Murphy supported by Mr. Gilchrist approve Site Plan Review 17-05 (SPR#17-05) which was submitted by Daniel Jost of Barkman Apiaries with the stipulation the applicant provide a copy of a well and septic permit from the Central Michigan District Health Department.

Yes Jeremy Murphy, Gordon Gilchrist, Tim O’Neil, Jim Horton, Kelly Bean, Ann Silker

No: None

Motion carried

Union Township Text Amendment Review

Union Township forwarded a text amendment to the Isabella County Planning Commission for review.

The board had no comment on this amendment.

Mr. Johnson stated that staff will forward to Union Township a letter stating that the Commission has reviewed the amendment and has no comments.

PUBLIC COMMENT – None

STAFF COMMENTS – None

PLANNING COMMISSIONER’S COMMENTS – None

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Mr. Gilchrist to adjourn the meeting seconded by Mr. Murphy at 7:15 p.m.

Yes Jeremy Murphy, Gordon Gilchrist, Tim O’Neil, Jim Horton, Kelly Bean, Ann Silker

No: None

Motion carried



Nancy White, Secretary

Kim Kennedy, Recording Secretary