

MINUTES

Monterey Township Planning Commission

Monday, March 12, 2018, at 7:00 PM

Location: Monterey Township Hall

Call to Order: Meeting was called to order at 7:03 by Scott Boeve

Roll Call: Jerry Williams, Earl Collier, Scott Boeve, Burton Brenner, and Kyle Bockheim.

Note: (Henry Reinart Township Supervisor and Lori Castello from PCI also present)

Approve Agenda: Motion made by Burton Brenner to approve agenda, Earl Collier seconded and all were in favor. Motion Carried.

Approve Minutes: Motion made by Kyle Bockheim to approve Minutes from January 8, 2018 meeting. Scott Boeve seconded and all were in favor. Motion Carried.

Ordinance on Wedding Barns: Scott Boeve made a suggestion to move this topic into round table discussion as there were no requests at this time for this.

Round Table: Regina Coffey as a Representative for Rolling Acre's Dairy Farm came to discuss "Agritourism" and the possibility of perhaps an Ice Cream Stand on their farm as an addition to their farming operation. They are considering the possibility and may come back at a later time with a proposal.

Interest in "Wedding Barns" and "Agritourism" have been expressed in Monterey Township which has prompted Lori Castello (PCI Zoning Administration) to approach the Monterey Township Planning Commission (MTPC) on amending the ordinances pertaining to this. After

review, she suggested we should look at other out dated ordinances that she feels need changes as well.

Suggested Ordinance Changes:

- Adding “Agritourism and “Agriservices & Sales” into the ordinance and the stipulation surrounding each.
- Special Use Permits (SUP’s) for Gravel Pits and the stipulation surround them. I.e. bonding for the restoration of abandoned pits.
- SUP’s for Secondary Dwellings and the stipulations surrounding them.
- SUP’s for Home Occupations and the stipulations surround them. I.e. creating a two tier approach including “by-right” or unseen and publically visible.
- Zoning Board of Appeals (ZBA) and the current ability to alter SUP’s. I.e. remove the ZBA’s ability to alter SUP’s

Other item discussed in the “Round table” pertained to the Township Email policy and what needs to be done as it pertains to “FOIA” requests.

Also discussed was a past “Spot Rezone” of the Lyford property and what needs to be done now.

After discussion, it was agreed that the Planning Commission should discuss some updates to the ordinances. Due to the possible amount of time needed to amend these ordinances it was agreed that the MTPC should schedule an additional meeting on April 9, 2018 to speed up this process. Lori will be forwarding some example language on these changes to expedite the discussion.

Public Comment: Pat Peterson inquired about meeting minutes being posted on township website. Henry Reinart was going to look into the matter.

Adjourn: Motion made by Jerry Williams to adjourn. Burton Brenner seconded, and all in favor. Motion carried. Adjourned at 9:01