

Comins Township Planning Commission

February 13th, 2020 Minutes

Call to order: 7:05

Roll Call: Jerry Kunnath, Lora Freer, Arisa Handrich [excused], John McConnell, Dan Swartzendruber,

Zoning Administrator, Rob Murphy [excused]

Public Comment: No public in attendance

New Business:

1] Cell Phone Tower r.e. Verizon, the holder of a SUP for erection of a cell tower has sold the lease rights to a company called Eco-Site. Eco Site has asked to have the SUP [Special Use Permit] transferred to them. We had discussion about same and decided we needed more information and tabled the decision on the permit transfer for a later date pending more discussion and found information.

Planning Commission Chair Lora Freer called an Eco Site representative, David Callender on her phone [with it on speaker phone for all of us to participate in the call] and let Mr. Callender know that we would get back to him later this week as to our decision. He agreed, asking for sharing of information on same.

2] Sign Ordinance update

The Comins Township Board requested the Planning Commission look at rewriting the 'sign ordinance' language. Rob Murphy forwarded that request to Lora Freer. We discussed same and decided to advertise to the public of Comins Township to let us know any concerns/ wishes they have relating to same. An add will be placed in the local paper, and notices placed on local public internet venues inviting the public to either attend our next meeting to discuss this, or to forward their views my snail or email for us to consider.

Old Business

Discussion of Township Questionnaire [at request of Rob Murphy] relating to County Master Plan

1] What unique facets pertaining to land value does our township contain?

Nothing different except our township contains the County Fairgrounds, Perry Lake Park, Smith Lake Park

2] What unique resource value does our township contain?

Steiner Museum

3] What watershed issues might our township contain?

Hoskins industrial property

The old gas station site where the bookstore is located at M33/M72 in Fairview

Old trash dump at the fairgrounds

Trash on roadsides in the township

4] What is the Townships number one priority

To maintain the land as large agriculture areas and natural resource areas [wildlife/forest recreation]

5] What can Oscoda County do to help the township promote and protect our resources?

The County could develop a plan to help promote tourism and local use of available recreation resources and develop a plan to protect same.

No public in attendance at this meeting

Next meeting March 12th, 2020

Adjournment: 8:57 pm Dan motioned, John 2nd – motion carried

