

Comins Township Planning Commission Regular Meeting Minutes

April 13th 2023

Comins Twsp Hall

Call To Order: 7:01 pm

Roll Call: John McConnell, Kyle Yoder, Daniel Swartzendruber [Chair] [abs], Jerry Kunnath [secr], Arisa Handrich

Open Special use hearing

Name: Jason and Hilary Strach

Date: 4/13/23

Property Location: 1960 Betsy Blvd, Fairview, 48621, Mi

The owners [Strachs] of the property want to open a childcare facility on their property. They are meeting all the State of Michigan regulations for a childcare facility and are expecting licensing for same.

SU P checklist: 1] yes, 2] special use permit required 3]Oscoda County is not involved 4] State of Michigan is involved 5] no environmental impact 6]Special use permit is beneficial to the township 7]State sets size and limits 8] Site view from thee road is acceptable 9]no screening needed 10]traffic pattern has been considered 11] noise factor is negligible 12]there will be lighting for premises 13] usual start and stop 7am to 5 pm 14] Signage will be addressed 15] SUP will not be transferable at future sale 16] Stipulations Hours of operation [5am to 7 pm] are noted, # of children is set by the State

Special Use Permit has been granted [John McConnell:yes, Jerry Kunnath: yes, Kyle Yoder: yes, Arisa Handrich: yes]

Closed Special Use Hearing at 7:30 pm

Approval Of Minutes: March 9th 2023 – Irst John McConnell, Arisa 2nd – minutes approved as read

Welcomed Rob Murphy [twsp sup.] to meeting

Guests - none

Public Comment : none

New business

Zoning Admin update: Rob reported that building permits are up.

Rob reported that Doug Henry, a Comins Twsp property owner isn't understanding the proper method of getting an ag exemption on his property. The County Building inspector [Tim Whiting] also does not understand the process for granting agricultural exemptions. Mr. Whiting has been giving ag exemptions to a number of Comins Twsp residents [incorrectly]. Rob is trying to explain to Mr. Whiting [and Mr. Henry] that the only person able to grant same is Tony Bruschi.

Rob Murphy will report on that progress.

Old business

2023 Capital Improvement Plan – being worked on/tweaked – was motioned to be accepted as read. Jerry Kunnath motioned, and John McConnell seconded [passed]

Master Plan current version #5 was discussed and reviewed. John will rewrite mentioned parts and return with changes for discussion. more public meetings will be planned presenting to the public for comments.

Meeting adjourned at 8:24pm

Jerry motioned, John 2nd

Respectfully submitted by Jerry Kunnath, Comins Twsp Planning Comm. Sec