

Lake Township Planning Commission

Regular Meeting

October 22, 2014

Approved minutes

Meeting called to order by Chairman Jerry Pobanz at 7:05 p.m. Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Roll call: Bob Siver, Jerry Pobanz, Clay Kelterborn, Todd Gordon, and Nicole Collins all present.

**Approval of September 24, 2014 minutes.** Motion made by Siver to accept the September 24, 2014 minutes, seconded by Collins. All ayes-passed.

Motion made by Pobanz to add setback to agenda under old business to tonight's agenda, seconded by Collins. All ayes-passed.

**Approval of Agenda:** Motion to accept agenda with the addition of the setback made by Gordon, seconded by Pobanz. All ayes- passed.

**Correspondence:** None

**Public Comment:** None

**New Business:** None

**Old Business:** Zachary Branigan Presentation

Mr. Branigan, Executive Director of the Saginaw Basin Land Conservancy, gave his presentation on the Conceptual Buffer Ordinance. He explained how they worked on a model draft of the buffer ordinance to present to individual Townships to look over. He said this is just to look over and review, that the Township is under no obligation to adopt the ordinance. He gave the board members a sample of the draft to look over and told them he could come back with more information at a future meeting, if the Planning commission would be interested. Pobanz thanked him for taking the time to come and present this to them and the Planning Commission will look it over and get back with him.

Mining Ordinance:

The members asked Mr. Branigan if he had time to give his opinion of the Mining Ordinance. Mr. Branigan stated that it should be an Outcome Based Plan (design a plan, mine, and remediate). He stated that the Township should look at covering issues with noise, dust, vibration, truck traffic, safety, and should consider the landowners rights. He also went on to say that there should be different criteria for larger companies, compared to property owners.

Kelterborn asked Mr. Branigan if he would be interested in submitting a proposal for his services. If he would be willing to help the Planning Commission on future projects? Mr. Branigan said he would put something together and get back with the Township.

Kelterborn suggested having a consultant to help the Planning Commission with future endeavors. Gordon agreed, he thought that it may help speed up the process on some of these things, and the Township may think things are being done more fairly if someone from the township isn't working on it?

Kelterborn suggested looking into someone without an engineering label, due to them costing more money. Collins asked what we would use a consultant for? Kelterborn replied languages in ordinances. Siver asked if they would be attending our meetings? Gordon suggested maybe an on line option such a skype. Kelterborn said he would look into it.

After a brief discussion, a motion was made by Gordon to table the mining ordinance until the December meeting, and work on the Lighting Ordinance and Review of Master plan, and setback in November meeting. Seconded by Collins, all ayes-passed.

Motion made by Kelterborn to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Gordon. All ayes-passed.

Meeting Adjourned at 9:25 p.m.

Next meeting November 19, 2014 @ 7:00p.m.