

Mussey Township Planning Commission

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Bill Schultz, Chair
Mary Klug, Vice Chair
Linda Kniseley, Secretary
Kenneth Montgomery, Planner

Linda Schmitt, Member
Brian Ypma, Member
Judy Palmieri, Member
Monica Standel, Twp. Board Rep.

Regular Planning Commission Meeting

Held at the Township Hall

24 February, 2015

Official Minutes

Call to Order: Bill Schultz called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m..

Roll Call: Present: Bill Schultz, Judy Palmieri, Mary Klug, Linda Kniseley, Linda Schmitt, Monica Standel & Bldg./ Zoning Administrator, Debra Hlubic.

Absent: Brian Ypma.

Public Present: Jason Montney.

Approval of Agenda: Motion by Monica Standel, support Judy Palmieri to approve the agenda as presented. All ayes. Motion carried. Agenda approved.

Approval of Minutes: Motion by Linda Kniseley, support Judy Palmieri to approve the January 27, 2015 minutes as written. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Monica Standel, support Judy Palmieri to close the Regular meeting @ 7:02 p.m. to go into a Public Hearing. All ayes. Motion carried.

Public Hearing: (1). The purpose of the Public Hearing was to discuss removing from Ordinance #29B- Accessory Buildings, Section 1203 H - Limitation with Respect to Dwelling Size. The Ordinance currently reads "no single detached accessory building shall exceed the floor area of the dwelling". Jason Montney, who is considering building a 40x72 Pole Barn was present to address his comments. Mr. Montney stated that other Townships have no requirements and asked why Townships have different rules. Monica Standel stated that all municipalities' go by how ever their Ordinances are written. Those are the rules that everyone must abide by. If someone's property is listed as "Agricultural Use" and has at least 10 acres and used as "farm use" only, then the size of the accessory building would not apply and no building permit would be required. No further discussion. Motion by Monica Standel, support Judy Palmieri to close the Public Hearing @ 7:16 p.m. to go back into the regular meeting. All ayes. Motion carried.

Public Time: (1). Motion by Monica Standel, support Linda Schmitt to strike item #4 - Limitation with Respect to Dwelling Size from Ordinance #29B - Accessory Buildings. Roll call vote. Ayes: Linda Kniseley, Mary Klug, Bill Schultz, Linda Schmitt & Monica Standel. Nays: None. Absent: Brian Ypma. Motion carried.

(2). Further discussion with Mr. Montney re: the size of the Pole Barn he would like to put on his property. He would like to put up a 40x72 and has an existing barn that is 40x60. Mr. Montney was informed that he will first need to come too the office and apply for a building permit to see if he meets all of the setback requirements to construct the pole barn.

New Business: None.

Old Business: (1). Medical Marijuana - Liquor Control is the one that actually enforces this. Brief discussion re: some of the regulations. Monica Standel presented information she received when attending the MTA Convention. (2). Would like someone to look at the Mussey Township bylaws to see how many meetings a member is allowed to miss and bring back info for the next meeting. Brief discussion about possibly purchasing tablets to view the Ordinances' while at a meeting. Monica Standel will address this to at the next Mussey Township Board meeting. (3). Township Planner - Monica Standel did look into this and speak to a few Planners at the MTA Convention and presented a few business cards to possibly contact them and see if they would attend one of our meetings. Discussion. Judy Palmieri, Linda Kniseley and Mary Klug offered to make calls and also get prices as to what their fee schedule is.

Township Board Report: Handled under Old Business.

Planning Commission Chair Report: None.

Adjournment: Motion Monica Standel, support Mary Klug to adjourn. All ayes. Motion carried and meeting adjourned @ 7:55 p.m..

Next meeting will be held on March 24, 2015

Respectfully submitted by:

Debra L. Hlubic
Building & Zoning Administrator