

Conway Township Planning Commission Meeting Minutes

October 8, 2018

Conway Township Hall – 8015 N. Fowlerville Rd., Fowlerville, MI

Agenda	Items Discussed	Actions to be Taken
Attendees	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Public: Herm and Shirley Yost, Keith Wasilenski, Bob Carusi, Asa Kreeger • Township Board Members: Larry Parsons, Trustee absent. • Planning Commission Members present: Dennis Bowdoin, George Pushies, Londa Horton, Dennis Sommer, Chuck Skwirsk and Mike Stock. • Zoning Administrator, Todd Thomas, present 	
Call to Order and Pledge to Flag	<p>Chair, Dennis Bowdoin called the Conway Township Planning Commission meeting to order at 7:00pm and led in the Pledge of Allegiance. Dennis called roll call. All present.</p> <p>The next meeting is November 12, 2018 at 7:00pm.</p>	
Minutes from last meeting	<p>Denny Sommer moved to approve the minutes of the September 10, 2018 meeting, second by Mike Stock. All in favor. Motion passed.</p>	
Communications	<p>Dennis Bowdoin shared these communications:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Huff drain will become a reality. • Oct. 17, 2018 there will be a public hearing on the Livingston County Master Plan. • There will be a Brown Bag Oct. 24 at Genoa Township Hall on the Right to Farm Act. Please RSVP. • There is a recipient for the Robinson Scholarship found in N. Michigan. She is going for her Master's Degree in Public Administration. • The Governor unveiled a plan to provide broadband across Michigan. The impact, he predicts, will be \$2.5 billion after completion. Grants will soon be coming. <p>Denny Sommer mentioned:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • According to the Livingston County Human Services Collaborative Body by the year 2040 there will be a 147% increase in the population aged 65+. 	
Call to the Public	<p>Bob Carusi asked about the status of the hookup of fiber to the AT&T tower. Commissioners commented that the fiber is being routed around Hayner Road not by the Township Hall.</p>	

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Old Business	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Attorney Abby Cooper has now made changes to the Planning Commission By-Laws. Discussion ensued: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Section 2E- “What is the definition of incompatibility of office?” asked George Pushies. Discussion ensued over giving up some of your rights when you sit on a public commission. Decisions are to be based on fact. ○ Section G9 – this is an open meeting with public participation. ○ The Ex-Officio member does vote on the Planning Commission and at the Township Board per attorney Abby Cooper. • Londa Horton made a motion to accept the Conway Township Planning Commission Bylaws October 8, 2018, second Denny Sommer. Roll Call vote: Chuck Skwirsk – yea, Denny Sommer – yea, Londa Horton – yea, Dennis Bowdoin – yea, George Pushies – nay, Mike Stock - yea. The Chairperson declared the Bylaws adopted at a regular meeting of the Planning Commission held October 8, 2018. The Bylaws are attached. 	<p>Londa Horton to post Bylaws on website.</p>
New Business	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Zoning Ordinance section 14.05 A – Who should receive the site plan applications? Todd Thomas to check if we can do an administration amendment or do it at a Public Hearing to have the site plan go directly to the Zoning Administrator first, then to the clerk. A recommendation was made that all applications be stamped upon receipt. • The Zoning Administrator report was given by Todd Thomas. He received four land use permits including a: pole barn, carport, garage, and pool. • Asa Kreeger received Road Commission approval and has a site plan ready for review regarding the property at 6995 N. Fowlerville Road, parcel #4701-34-200-006. He asked for a Special Meeting. He must close the drive on Chase Lake Rd. if the Road Commission does put in a light at the corner of Chase Lake and Fowlerville Roads. Currently he can keep the entrance off Chase Lake Road if he moves it down. “How much time will the Planner require and an attorney require for an additional review?” asked Dennis Bowdoin. Two access points have changed. Asa Kreeger has a letter from the Road Commission. Mike Stock wants to ensure everything is addressed as per the Attorney’s previous letter. Asa was directed to put everything together into one packet for the Planning Commission for review. The Commission asked for a Planner review of this new site plan. We need confirmation drawing B meets all the requirements of the zoning. Dennis Bowdoin will call Chris Atkins, the Planner, to ask him to expedite this issue. • There have been 14 accidents on that corner and 4 injuries from 2008-14. per Dennis Bowdoin. 	<p>Clerk/Zoning Administrator - recommendation to stamp all applications upon receipt.</p> <p>Todd Thomas to check on making an administration amendment vs. Public Hearing to have site plans do directly to Zoning Administrator first.</p> <p>Dennis Bowdoin to call Chris Atkins, the Planner, to expedite the review of the 6995 N. Fowlerville Rd. documents.</p>

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Update from the Board	Dennis Bowdoin gave an update from the Township Board.	
Call to public	Bob Carusi asked about the Constitutional right to publicly speak. He can have someone speak for him if he is on the Commission if something is a conflict of interest.	
General Discussion	-0-	
Adjournment	George Pushies made a motion to adjourn at 8:00pm. Second by Denny Sommer. All in favor. Motion passed.	