Bridgewater Township Planning Commission Minutes - Approved

I. 12-Jan-15 meeting called to order 7:00 P.M. by Cal Messing

II. Roll Call

Cal Messing Dave Horney Mark Iwanicki

Ron Smith Tom Wharam

III. Citizen Participation

• None

IV. Review and Approve Agenda

- Motion to approve the agenda as presented Mark Iwanicki
- Second to motion Tom Wharam
- Vote unanimous

V. Approval of Minutes

- Motion to approve minutes from 8-Dec-14 as presented Cal Messing
- Second to motion Mark Iwanicki
- Vote unanimous

VI. Public Hearings

None

VII. Old Business

A. Monastery site plan review

- Rodney Nanney walked through the Preliminary Site Plan Report
- Rodney Nanney talked about the deficiencies in the site plan
- Rodney Nanney talked about the process for a site plan review and how to update the documents for the site plan review
- Cal Messing asked about the steeple; Rodney Nanney said it is 100' tall, need to added setback of twenty foot.
- Rodney Nanney said that the Special Land Use would have to be revisited due to the additional cemetery plots. Stefena Romanov said that they did not need or want the additional plots and they would modify the site plan.
- Rodney Nanney told Arexki Mekhldi (Architect) to call him if he had questions and to mail the updated site plans to him
- Motion to postpone action on the preliminary site plan review Mark Iwanicki
- Second to motion Cal Messing
- Vote unanimous

VIII. New Business

A. Election of officers

- Cal Messing opened the floor to nominations
- Cal Messing nominated Dave Horney for chair
- Second to motion Mark Iwanicki
- Roll call Vote Cal Messing yes Dave Horney –

Mark Iwanicki – yes Ron Smith – yes Tom Wharam- yes

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- Mark Iwanicki nominated Tom Wharam for secretary
- Second to motion Cal Messing
- Roll call Vote Cal Messing yes Dave Horney –

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- Tom Wharam nominated Cal Messing as vice chair
- Second to motion Mark Iwanicki
- Roll call Vote Cal Messing yes Dave Horney –

Mark Iwanicki – yes Ron Smith – yes Tom Wharam- yes

B. Report to Board of Trustees

- Dave Horney generated a report with is attached for submittal to the board
- Motion to accept the report as presented and send it on to the board of trustees Mark Iwanicki
- Second to motion Cal Messing
- Vote unanimous

C. Rezoning of PSP parcels

- Rodney Nanney talked about the rezoning of several parcels per the zoning ordinance
- The parcels are listed in the attached document from Rodney Nanney titled "Notice-PSP-DISTRICT-MapAmendmentHearing2015-01-03" which can also be used by Laurie Fromhart to post the public hearing
- One of the reasons for this is that it discourages SLUs for churches
- This is a township initiated process which would follow the standard notification process and would need a public hearing
- Because of mailings, the March or April meeting would be recommended
- Ron Smith asked about the cemetery on Schellenberger
- Rodney Nanney said he would look into this cemetery
- Ron Smith asked about the sewer treatment plant
- Rodney Nanney said that it should have been rezoned
- Ron Smith said that he could not think of a reason to not rezone it
- Motion to set a public hearing on 13-Apr-15 to rezone the listed parcels into the PSP district Cal Messing
- Second to motion Mark Iwanicki
- Vote unanimous
- Laurie Fromhart will post the public hearing and notify all pertinent land owners

IX. Communications

- A. Report from Zoning Administrator Ron Smith
 - A report was provided and is on record

B. Report on 8-Jan-15 Board of Trustees meeting – Ron Smith

The minutes were sent out to Planning Commission members and are on record

X. Informational Items

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None

XI. Public Comment

Rodney Nanney talked about the new laws that have been passed in the state legislature affecting townships in Michigan

XII. Adjournment

Next planning commission meeting is 9-Feb-15 at 7:00 P.M.

Motion to adjourn – Cal Messing

Second to motion – Mark Iwanicki

Vote – unanimous





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