Bridgewater Township Planning Commission Minutes - Approved

I. 9-May-16 meeting called to order 7:01 P.M. by Dave Horney

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 Dave Horney
- Second to motion Cal Messing
- Vote unanimous

V. Approval of Minutes

- Motion to approve minutes from 11-Apr-16 as presented Ron Smith
- Second to motion Dave Horney
- Vote unanimous

VI. Public Hearings

A. Keeping farm animals in the hamlet/dimensional standards revision

- Motion to adjourn the Planning Commission meeting 7:06 Dave Horney
- Second to motion Cal Messing
- Roll call Vote Cal Messing— yes
 Mark Iwanicki yes
 Dave Horney— yes
 Ron Smith yes
 Tom Wharam- yes
- Dave Horney gave a brief history of the proposed ordinance to allow farm animals in Bridgewater Hamlet; this was situation was never addressed in the original ordinance
- Karen Poet asked about the styles of chicken coops that would be allowed, especially portable coops;
 Rodney Nanney explained what structures would be allowed and the setbacks required; he also mentioned that portable coops would be allowed
- Rodney Nanney also mentioned that a zoning permit was required but a building permit is not; he explained that the permit could be applied for at any time but would not be issued until the ordinance is passed by the township board
- The new ordinance goes into effect eight days after it is published in the paper
- Ron Smith talked about the dimensional standards revision
- Motion to close the public hearing at 7:33 Dave Horney
- Second to motion Cal Messing
- Roll call Vote Cal Messing— yes
 Mark Iwanicki yes
 Dave Horney— yes
 Ron Smith yes
 Tom Wharam- yes
- The Planning Commission meeting was reopened at 7:33
- Motion to recommend to the township board adoption of the new ordinance for final approval –
 Dave Iwanicki
- Second to motion Cal Messing
- Roll call Vote Cal Messing— yes
 Mark Iwanicki yes
 Dave Horney— yes
 Ron Smith yes
 Tom Wharam- yes
- The Poet's were thanked for bring up the deficiency in the zoning ordinance

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VII. Old Business

A. None

VIII. New Business

A. GSM site visit

• Cal Messing gave a short description of the guided tour at GSM's facility, including a description of the poor quality topsoil that is available as well as the pile of soil covered by plastic on the Peltes property. Chip Tokar will be having an analysis done on the likely fuel contaminated soil and put it into the annual report

IX. Communications

- A. Report from Zoning Administrator Rodney Nanney
 - A report was provided and is on record
- B. Report on 7-Apr-16 Board of Trustees meeting Ron Smith
 - A report was provided and is on record

X. Informational Items

• None

XI. Public Comment

None

XII. Adjournment

- Next planning commission meeting is 13-Jun-16 at 7:00 P.M.
- Motion to adjourn Tom Wharam
- Second to motion Mark Iwanicki
- Vote unanimous

Meeting adjourned at 8:23 P.M.

