

Bridgewater Township Planning Commission Minutes - Approved

I. 9-Nov-15 meeting called to order 7:04 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 – Tom Wharam
- Vote – unanimous

V. Approval of Minutes

- Motion to approve minutes from 12-Oct-15 as presented – Mark Iwanicki
- Second to motion - Dave Horney
- Vote – unanimous

VI. Public Hearings

- None

VII. Old Business

A. GSM permit update

- Chip Tokar from NRM gave a short introduction on why the permit is needed
- GSM can use south end of the parcel for wetland mitigation
- Phase I – grow the two lakes close to each other
- Phase II – make one lake
- Currently GSM is just expanding the lakes; this will not affect the existing wetlands
- GSM would still like one lake but more modeling is needed as well as more detail on wetland mitigation
- GSM wants to lower the lake from it's current level of 852' to its original level of 850', where the wetland was healthy
- Two years plan to reapply with DEQ for another change
- If cannot make one lake will have a channel between the two lakes
- There is room for wetlands on the south side of the pit
- Will lower water level slowly a total by two feet
- No change in water usage; no change in aquifers
- Flow will be monitored
- Currently 350, 000 gallons of water flow out of the lake per day
- This will lower domestic wells by about two feet; the natural fluctuation in the well water level is 3-4 feet
- Rodney Nanney mentioned that some items that he asked for were not provided (Rodney Nanney provided Chip Tokar with a copy of the required items)
 - Copy of approval information on two separate parcels
 - Recommendation on transition to Ordinance 59

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- Copy of haul route repair plan
- Small maps are too small to read (24" x 36")

- Dave Horney asked about the timing to get the missing information
- The making of the two lakes may not exceed the live expectancy of the road
- A January public hearing should allow time before digging starts in the spring
- Rodney Nanney and Markus McNamara will stop reviewing until the updated information is received

B. Marijuana ordinance

- Nothing new; wait until Lansing passes legislation
- Can change the local ordinance after that

VIII. New Business

- Ron Finkbeiner wants to start Phase II
- He needs final site plan approval

IX. Communications

A. Report from Zoning Administrator – Rodney Nanney

- A report was provided and is on record
- The final site plan approval of the monastery is complete, construction has begun

B. Report on 5-Nov-15 Board of Trustees meeting – Ron Smith

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

X. Informational Items

- None

XI. Public Comment

- None

XII. Adjournment

- Next planning commission meeting is 14-Dec-15 at 7:00 P.M.
- Motion to adjourn – Dave Horney
- Second to motion – Tom Wharam
- Vote – unanimous

Meeting adjourned at 8:16 P.M.