



Richland County Zoning & Land Information

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Minutes of the Richland County Zoning & Land Information Committee Monday, November 4th, 2019

Item #1 CALL TO ORDER The Zoning & Land Information Committee meeting was called to order by at 3:00 pm by Chairman Gary Peters. Those that were present or signed up to speak were Jim Huffman, Marc Couey, Steve Williamson, Jayme Walsh, JoEllen Rott, David Foth, Virginia Wiedenfeld, Minda Barber, Shelly Schmidt, Gary Epping, Juliee De La Terre, Mike Bindl, with Cheryl Dull with taking minutes.

Item #2 APPROVE AGENDA AND PUBLICATION Mike stated it had been posted in the paper 2 weeks and on the bulletin board at the Courthouse. Hearing no correction Gary declared the agenda approved. Motion carried.

Item #3 APPROVE MINUTES OF THE OCTOBER 7TH MEETINGS Moved by Marc to approve the minutes of the previous meetings, 2nd by Jim. Motion carried.

Item #4 TO HEAR A PETITION OF MINDA BARBER TO REZONE 4.5 ACRES FROM AGRICULTURAL FORESTRY TO RESIDENTIAL-2 AND 27.73 ACRES FROM AGRICULTURAL FORESTRY TO AGRICULTURAL-RESIDENTIAL IN SECTION 8 AND 17, TOWN OF EAGLE Minda is present to represent the petition. Minda's sister wants to build a house on Minda's land. A survey has been completed and the driveway permit approved. The township has approved. Gary Epping asked to speak. He stated the current map shows the house in the easement, which he thought is being corrected. He has concerns about the new driveway causing problems with their easement should they decide to build in the future. Minda stated she still needed to have the easement agreement written up for the driveway. Minda and Gary decided they could take care of this on their own. Moved by Steve to approve the rezone and send to County Board on December 10th, 2nd by Marc. Motion carried

Item #5 TO HEAR A PETITION OF CHAPTERS ON THE HORIZON TO REZONE 10.00 ACRES FROM AGRICULTURAL FORESTRY TO COMMERCIAL IN SECTION 17, TOWN OF FOREST Mike Lepke is present to represent the petition. They are looking at creating a wedding venue and a large group gathering facility. The township has approved. Mike stated the survey has yet to be completed so they are requesting 10 acres to make sure they are covered. Mike added that a couple of emails have come to our office concerning the use, which have been provided to the committee. Moved by Jim to approve the rezone petition and sent to County Board when the survey is ready, 2nd by Steve. Motion carried.

Item #6 TO HEAR A PETITION OF SCHMIDT FARMS WEST FOR A CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT FOR REPLACE AN EXISTING MOBILE HOME INCIDENTAL TO A FARM OPERATION IN SECTION 19, TOWN OF BUENA VISTA Shelly Schmidt is present to represent the petition. She stated when the wind storms went through a about a month ago a tree fell on a farm hands mobile home. They want to replace it and need a Conditional Use Permit to do so. The Township has approved. Moved by Marc to approve the Conditional Use Permit, 2nd by Steve. Motion carried.

Item #7 TO HEAR A PETITION OF DAVE & CATHY FOTH TO REZONE 2.84 ACRES FROM AGRICULTURAL-FORESTRY TO AGRICULTURE-RESIDENTIAL IN SECTION 28, TOWN OF DAYTON Dave is present to represent the petition. He bought the property on County Hwy Q and found that it was



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never rezoned when the Steele's purchased it from the Stoltz's. He wants to have it zoned so in the future someone can have animals. The Township has approved. Moved by Steve to approve the rezone and send to County Board on December 10th, 2nd by Marc. Motion carried.

Item #8 TOWN OF ITHACA ZONING ORDINANCE Virginia is present to explain the ordinance changes to the Committee. The Township did some acreage size changes and some language clean up. The Town board has approved and the state has done a preliminary approval to expedite the process. Moved by Gary to approve and send to County Board on December 10, 2nd by Jayme. Motion carried.

Item #9 2020 WLIA GRANT APPLICATION Mike emailed everyone the Resolution for review. The grant is for \$118,736.00, of which the County is taking \$135,000.00 for salaries. Moved by Gary to approve the application, 2nd by Marc. Motion carried.

Item #10 5G CELL TOWER (HEALTH RISK) Juliee De La Terre from West Lima is present to ask the committee what information they would like to have given to them. It was noted Mike has not received any of the information that the board has received from her. Gary told Julie she must send the same info to Mike when she sends it to him. Jayme questioned what her main concerns are; is it 5G, 4G, towers in general, etc?

Julie stated the companies are not providing us with the health risks.

Marc expressed concerns that some of the areas do not have cell coverage. How do we make it work for everyone?

Julie presented a sample of an Ordinance she wrote for the Committee. She would like it passed on to Ben Southwick for review.

This morning they (37 people) filed a lawsuit against Bug Tussel to cease and desist construction.

Jim stated if they put up enough cell tower that are 3G and 4G *and* they if they find it works, would they give up on 5G?

Jayme stated he was quite concerned about 5G after receiving all this paperwork from Juliee. He educated himself on this by talking to several people in the tech community. He is less scared then he was a month ago. He learned it cannot penetrate walls and doesn't reach further than 1 block at most.

Marc has more concerns of the lack communication in the rural areas for First Responders, Law Enforcement, Fire Department, etc.

After further discussion, it was decided to not take any action on this agenda item. Moved by Gary that we follow current policy, 2nd by Jim. Motion carried.

Item #11 LATE FEE WAIVER REQUEST Mike asked if everyone received the information he forward to the committee concerning a late fee waiver request? Moved by Gary to deny waiving the fees, 2nd by Jayme. Motion carried.

Item #12 PAY BILLS None

Item #13 OFFICE REPORT Nothing to report

Item #14 ADJOURN Next regular meeting Monday, December 2nd at 3:00 pm. Moved by Marc to adjourn at 4:00 pm, 2nd by Steve. Motion carried.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Cheryl Dull