

ROYALTON TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION

Regular Meeting **(Postponed to June 12, 2017)**

June 5, 2017

Members Present: Chairman R. Bernard, J. Ackerman, W. Foust, J. Heil, B. Lieberg, T. Kalin, J. Pater

Absent:

Also Present: W. Boyd, Royalton Township Building Official/Zoning Administrator

Chairman Bernard called the June 5, 2017 Planning Commission meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

I. Roll Call and Recognition of Visitors

All Planning Commission members were present. Visitors were: Mr. Arunnas Rumsa of Tera Architects; Mr. Rob Andrew of Merritt Engineering; and Mr. Don Blackmond, President of the Board of Directors of the Humane Society.

II. Approval of Minutes

Minutes of the May 1, 2017 Planning Commission Meeting were reviewed. Mr. Lieberg made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Mr. Foust seconded the motion and the motion carried.

III. Approval of Agenda

There were no changes to the Agenda.

IV. Public Hearing – There was no Public Hearing.

V. Unfinished Business

None

VI. New Business

A. Site Plan Review for New Humane Society Facility

Mr. Rumsa presented the proposed site plan for the new Humane Society facility to be built on M-139.

Mr. Foust asked Mr. Boyd if he is ok with the proposed fence construction materials. Mr. Boyd replied it meets the building ordinances and as long as the fence is on the property line, it is ok.

Mr. Rumsa reviewed parking saying there is a total of 36 required spaces and the plan shows 40 parking spaces, thus meeting Royalton Township's zoning requirement,

Mr. Lieberg asked about the status of utilities, i.e. gas line, sewer, etc. Mr. Blackmond said they had not talked to the Royalton Township Board yet about utilities.

Mr. Lieberg said he is concerned about putting pressure on the Board by the Planning Commission approving this Site Plan without Board approval of extension of existing utilities. Mr. Foust and other Planning Commission members shared Mr. Lieberg's concerns. Mr. Boyd suggested this Planning Commission meeting be postponed until after the June 12 Board meeting.

Mr. Foust made a motion that this discussion be postponed and rescheduled to be properly in order on Monday, June 12, 2017 at 8:00 pm after the Board Meeting. Mr. Heil seconded the motion and the motion carried.

VII. Comments from the Public - None

VIII. Open Discussion/Miscellaneous

A. Correspondence Received - None

B. Planning Commission Interest Group Reports – Mr. Lieberg reported that the Township will have a new first class fire truck by the end of the year.

C. Township Board Report - Mr. Foust reported that the Board approved buying new voting equipment which should be here in time for election in August; water rates will be going up 3.5%; and Board discussed extending the sewer line.

D. ZBA -The ZBA did not meet in May.

IX. Building Permit Reports

The May Building Permit Report shows two new home building permits issued in May, 2017 valued at \$215,000 and \$325,000, compared to two (2) new home building permits issued in May, 2016. Total new dwelling permits issued year-to-date for 2017 are four (4). Total year-to-date new dwelling permits issued for 2016 were seven (7).

X. Education

1. Mr. Boyd reviewed a new dumpster enclosure which is now available, and provided information on an initiative to switch Michigan legislature from full-time to part-time.

XI. Adjournment

Mr. Foust made a motion to adjourn the postponed meeting and Mr. Kalin seconded the motion. All voted in favor. The meeting adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Linda Heil
Recording Secretary