

**MINUTES SILVER CREEK TOWNSHIP
PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING HELD ON NOVEMBER 18, 2015**

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Bill Zuhl at 7:00 p.m. on Wednesday, November 18, 2015. The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America was led by Mike Glynn.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Terry Harris, Mike Glynn, Tom Lehrer, Bill Zuhl, and David Grabemeyer

OTHERS PRESENT: Attorney John Magyar, four members from the public.

ABSENT: Jerry Donley

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Terry Harris motioned, seconded by Dave Grabemeyer, to approve the November 18, 2015 Silver Creek Township Planning Commission Agenda. Motion carried by voice vote.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Dave Grabemeyer motioned, seconded by Terry Harris, to approve the October 28, 2015 Silver Creek Township Planning Commission meeting minutes. Motion carried by voice vote.

COMMUNICATIONS

None.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

TOWNSHIP ATTORNEY'S REPORT

Attorney John Magyar reported that he met with the County Drain Commissioner, Supervisor Bill Saunders, and a member of the DEQ regarding the Mann drain on Indian Lake. He stated they convinced us that we have no place to be involved in it. He also stated Judge Dodge doesn't feel we have jurisdiction over the matter. Magyar said it is only appropriate for the township to get involved when legislation says we should be, which would be a very rare case.

NEW BUSINESS

HEARING FOR PROPOSED CHANGES TO 6.07 OF THE ZONING ORDINANCE

Bill Zuhl opened the public hearing for the proposed changes to 6.07 of the Zoning Ordinance on Watercraft and Docking at 7:11 p.m. Bill read through the proposed changes: Deletion of 6.07 C; F 3, 4, 5, 7, 8, 9, and 10; and G 3, 4, 5, 7, 8, and 9. There was no public comment on the matter and the public hearing was closed.

Discussion followed by the Planning Commission members. Mike asked if #6 is part of the language in minor projects. Attorney Magyar stated that it was not. Bill asked if the information in the Ordinance needed to be renumbered after the deletions. Magyar responded that someone could entertain a motion to renumber.

MOTION TO MODIFY 6.07

Mike motioned to modify 6.07 by removing section C and re-lettering, modifying 6.07 F by retaining only 1-3 and deleting the remainder and renumbering, and retaining only 1, 2, 6 in 6.07 G and renumbering. Terry Harris supported. Motion carried by roll call vote.

Yes: 4 - Dave Grabemeyer, Terry Harris, Tom Lehrer, Bill Zuhl

No: 0

Abstain: 1 - Mike Glynn

UNFINISHED BUSINESS **CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PLAN**

Mike stated that he put together the final touches of the Capital Improvement Plan and would be e-mailing everyone a copy. He asked the members to look it over and scrutinize it. He commented that Hull's request for the Mann drain was not included since we have no desire to pursue it, after discovering that we would be overstepping our boundaries on the issue. He commended Mr. Hull on all his research on the matter.

Bill questioned if the Capital Improvement Plan should be revisited annually, and Mike answered that it should be. Mike also recommended getting it together each year in the last quarter.

COMMISSION MEMBER COMMENTS

Dave questioned Walt Lehmann's replacement, and Mike responded that there would be a replacement after the first of the year.

Bill suggested scheduling the December meeting on the 3rd Wednesday, December 16, 2015 at 7:00 p.m. due to Christmas being the following week.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Walt Lehmann questioned the Commission members about noticing the public hearing. Discussion followed.

MOTION TO SET PUBLIC HEARING

Mike motioned to set the public hearing for the Capital Improvement Plan for Wednesday, December 16, 2015 at 7:00 p.m. on the same night as the December Planning Commission meeting. Bill supported. Motion carried by voice vote.

ADJOURNMENT

David Grabemeyer motioned, seconded by Tom Lehrer, to adjourn. Motion carried by voice vote.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Lindsay Krohne
Recording Secretary
To be approved at the December 16, 2015 meeting