

## Newfield Township Planning Commission Meeting

October 10, 2019

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by chairman Jay Peasley. Pledge of Allegiance was said and roll call showed board members: Jay Peasley, Jennifer Sherburn, Bob Carr, Rob Forbes and Tami Ballantyne present. Jan Wilson and Mike Rosema were absent. Also, in attendance was Zoning Admin. Steve Micklin and Gale Eitnhear.

Motion by Carr and supported by Sherburn to accept agenda: all ayes

Motion by Sherburn and supported by Carr to accept minutes from the Sept. 10, 2019 meeting: all ayes

Public Comments: The board thanked Jay Peasley for his many years and his dedication to this board. He was presented with a plaque and well wishes for his retirement. His presence on this board will be greatly missed.

Communications: Carr shared that his MSU planning training is going well.

Old Business:

Recommendations to Township Board after Public Hearing:

- A) Sherburn moved and supported by Ballantyne that the Township Board recertify updated Master Plan: All ayes
- B) Motion by Peasley and seconded by Ballantyne that the Township Board adopt Ordinance 18-01 Section 24 as written: All Ayes
- C) Motion by Sherburn and supported by Ballantyne that the Township Board change Section 5.05 Waterfront Areas item A from 100 feet to 50 feet: 4 ayes and 1 nay – motion passed.
- D) Motion by Ballantyne and supported by Sherburn that the Township Board adopt Ordinance establishing this Planning Comm: All Ayes

## New Business:

Motion by Carr and seconded by Sherburn to have our next meeting on January 9, 2020 at 7 pm: All Ayes

Motion by Ballantyne and seconded by Peasley to appoint Jennifer Sherburn as interim Chairperson: All Ayes

Zoning Report: Steve Micklin handed out his report. Zoning permits are on record to beat last years amount. He has 5 properties currently receiving citations. He expressed his frustrations with the County Sherriff. It was recommended that he send the Citations by certified mail.

## Recommendations for the board:

Along with the four items mentioned earlier, the Township Board will be asked to clarify the number of members they wish to keep on this board.

Jay Peasley suggests that the Planning Commission follow up on our previous endeavors regarding "Mother-in-law" residences.

Motion to adjourn at 7:45 pm

Respectfully submitted by Tami Ballantyne