

Newfield Township Planning Commission Meeting

August 6, 2020

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by chairperson Jennifer Sherburn. The meeting was held outside in order to maintain social distance requirements. Pledge of Allegiance was said and roll call showed board members: Jennifer Sherburn, Bob Carr, Mike Rosema and Tami Ballantyne present. Jan Wilson was absent. Also, in attendance was Zoning Admin. Steve Micklin, Supervisor Joan David, and representatives from RJG Stone & Sand, LLC

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

Motion by Ballantyne and supported by Rosema to accept minutes from the June 4, 2020 meeting: all ayes

Public Comments: None

Communications: Ballantyne told about the letter received from the state granting permission for an irrigation well to be drilled on Grant Rd.

Old Business:

- A) Zoning Admin Steve Micklin handed out the completed application by RJG Stone and Sand LLC for gravel pit/mining operation located on 192nd Ave. After much discussion – motion by Rosema and supported by Ballantyne to have a Public Hearing on August 18th at 6:30 pm. Tasks for this meeting will be shared: all ayes

After communication via email and phone conversations the Public Hearing time has been changed to 6:00 pm. This hearing will be to issue a Special Use Permit to grant a variance to operate said Gravel Pit on a parcel that is currently zoned residential.

- B) The completed application was handed out for a proposed Marihuana Facility to be located on Pierce Rd. operated by Stephanie Goodman. At this time, she is still in the planning stage but will keep us updated.

New Business:

The updated zoning manual was distributed. Steve asked that we double check wording on page 86. He thought it was not clear about requirements

for a grow facility in C-1. It was decided that no changes need to be made. Setback requirements for C-1 are clearly stated on page 34.

Zoning Report: Steve Micklin handed out his report. He stated that the property on 192nd is being cleaned up. There are other properties that he is still working on. He spent a day showing Stephanie Goodman different property for her future plans for marihuana facilities. Mike Rosema asked about the mining activities happening on 184th Ave.

Recommendations for the board:
No recommendations at this time.

Motion to adjourn at 7:55 pm

Respectfully submitted by Tami Ballantyne