

PLANNING COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING HELD AT RIVES TWP. HALL

December 1, 2016

Meeting called to order at 6:02pm

Members Present: Dwight Carmer, Roger DeCamp, Cliff Herl, Jim Lindstrom. Absent: Phyllis Pitmon

PC Members approved (motion by Herl, supported by Carmer, all ayes) member Lindstrom to temporarily act as secretary for tonight's meeting in the absence of Secretary Pitmon.

Agenda for the December 1, 2016 Planning Commission Meeting approved. Motion by Carmer, second by Herl. All ayes.

Minutes from the October 18, 2016 Regular PC Meeting approved. Motion by Herl, second by Carmer, All ayes.

Herl reported that the new Township Board will be in place for the regular December meeting. The Board has appointed the zoning inspector, Tom Cottrell. Dave Pickett is authorized to work 20 hours maximum to assist in transition of zoning inspector.

Comments: Township resident John Brennan commented that he will review PC work of updating Township Master Plan. Mr. Brennan handed out news articles regarding "big government" imposing regulations and other impositions that eat up budgets and therefore in the end limit services when the money runs out. Chairman DeCamp discussed MTA provided information regarding future Drone regulation and how townships will have some authority.

Grant Bauman, Region 2 Planner 1.) continued instructional process of updating the Rives Township Master Plan. He supplied written information for Chapter 2 (pages 2-1 through 2-9) and supplied amended and additional maps. This material was reviewed and discussed. 2.) Mr. Bauman stated now that the newly elected Township Clerk is in place the Township should send out the "Notice of Intent to Prepare a Master Plan" requesting cooperation and comments from a list of locally affected government, commissions, utilities, etc. Mr. Bauman supplied the recommended list. 3.) Mr. Bauman suggested the Township consider a "Community Planning Survey" seeking input from the residents. An example of a survey was provided for PC review. Herl stated that a survey has been conducted in past and he would supply those results for review also.

Chairman DeCamp asked for a motion to adjourn. Motion by Lindstrom, second by Carmer. All ayes.
Time 7:24 pm

Respectfully Submitted,

James Lindstrom, temporary Secretary

NOTE: Next Meeting Date: Regular Meeting and workshop w/ Grant Bauman, Region 2, **Thursday, January 5, 2017 at 6:00pm.**