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Bill Schultz, Chair Mary Klug, Vice Chair Linda Kniseley, Secretary Kenneth Montgomery, Planner Linda Schmitt, Member Brian Ypma, Member Judy Palmieri, Member Monica Standel, Twp. Board Rep.

## Regular Planning Commission Meeting Held at the Township Hall 23 September, 2014 Official Minutes

Call to Order: Bill Schultz called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

**Roll Call:** Present: Bill Schultz, Judy Palmieri, Mary Klug, Linda Kniseley & Bldg./ Zoning Administrator, Debra Hlubic.

Absent: Brian Ypma, Monica Standel & Linda Schmitt.

Public Present: (1). Fred Zinc (2). Mike Thorpe owner of Mike's Towing-Hauling, Inc.

**Approval of Agenda:** Motion by Mary Klug, support Judy Palmieri to approve the agenda as presented. All ayes. Motion carried. Agenda approved.

**Approval of Minutes**: Motion by Judy Palmieri, support Mary Klug to approve the August 26, 2014 minutes as written. All ayes. Motion carried.

Public Hearing: None.

**Public Time:** (1). Fred Zink attended the meeting to introduce himself and to let everyone know that he has recently purchased the building located at 15186 Downey Road and is planning on renovating it and opening a Engineering & Design Business. He was inquiring what steps he needs to take to pursue this project. Being as it is already zoned B2 this type of Business will be acceptable. The building does have running water, but Mr. Zink is currently working with the Health Dept. re: the well and septic. Discussion. Planning Commission referred him to go too the Township Office to acquire a Building Permit Application and he will be working with the Building Administrator and the Building Inspector. (2). Mike Thorpe from Mike's Towing addressed concerns re: the sign that he was ordered to remove which was located at the corner of Petz & Capac Road. Mr. Thorpe feels that since he is working with law enforcement for the towing of impounded vehicles, that his sign should be allowed. He stated he is on the Fed list as "First Responder's". Discussion. The Board is currently looking into other municipalities sign ordinances to see if there is some type of change that we can reflect in ours to benefit Mike's Towing and will get back with him regarding this issue.

**New Business:** (1). Discussion re: 5240 Knoll Road. This property is owned by Kevin Mitchell and he has constructed a new structure that is attached to another structure in front of the main residence. A permit was never obtained for this structure and it is currently in violation of the Zoning Ordinance. Pictures were given to the board members for their review along with a letter from our Planner, Ken Montgomery. Discussion. Motion Mary Klug, support Judy Palmieri to deny the petitioner's addition that was constructed without a permit and in violation of our ordinance. All ayes. Motion carried.

# Old Business: None.

**Township Board Report:** (1). No formal report. Copies of Sign Ordinances from other municipalities' were given to the Board members for their review and this will be discussed at the next Planning Commission meeting.

**Planning Commission Chair Report:** (1). Bill Schultz asked if the fee's for holding a special Planning Commission meeting are enough to cover the members being as there pay was increased from \$50.00 to \$75.00 per meeting. Debbie Hlubic will look into this to make sure it is compatible to what the members are getting paid. (2). Bill Schultz would like a phone call or an email sent to Brian Ypma to see if he still wishes to hold his seat on the Planning Commission due to his frequent absences.

Adjournment: Motion Mary Klug, support Judy Palmieri to adjourn. All ayes. Motion carried and meeting adjourned @8:15 p.m..

# Next meeting will be held on October 22, 2014

#### **Respectfully submitted by:**

Debra L. Hlubic Building & Zoning Administrator