

Republic Township Planning Commission Meeting

6:00 P.M. May 17, 2010

Republic Township Hall

1. The meeting was called to order at 6:14 P.M. by chairperson Dan Mitchell.
2. Members Present: Bill Bergin, Jim Brennan, Tom Feldhuson, Dan Mitchell, Tom Sandbloom, Marie Serafin, Bill Payne (Zoning Administrator).

Members Absent: Steve Koski, Paul Polanski.

3. Approval Of Agenda: It was moved by Jim Brennan and seconded by Tom Feldhuson to approve the Agenda. The motion passed.
4. Approval Of The Minutes: It was moved by Jim Brennan and seconded by Tom Sandbloom to approve the minutes of the April 28, 2010 meeting. The motion Passed..
5. Public Comment: None.
6. Review Draft Of Zoning Ordinances:

Article 1, Page 1, Item C: The word "odors" was misspelled.

Article 3, Page 6, Section D: The Buffer Zone. It was moved by Tom Sandbloom and seconded by Jim Brennan to change the Buffer Zone from 25 feet to 30 feet. The motion passed.

Article 4, Page 2: It was moved by Tom Sandbloom and seconded by Marie Serafin to change the Minimum Lot Area of Zoning District RR to 5.0 Acres. The Motion passed

Article 3, Page 8, Section 313: The word "Laundromat" should only be listed once under Item 14. It is to be taken out of Item 22.

Article 12, Page 3, Section 1204: This article was discussed by the Planning Commission. No changes were made in the document on this article.

Zoning Map: The Planning Commission reviewed the Township Zoning Map. It was noted that the shaded Fucia Section of the map, should be in Zoning District RP (Resource Production), not WR-2 (Water Front Residential-2).

Marie Serafin made a motion that the Planning Commission accept the New Zoning Ordinances, with the changes we made tonight. Tom Sandbloom seconded the motion. There was a Roll Call Vote:

Bill Bergin	Voted Yes
Jim Brennan	Voted Yes
Tom Feldhuson	Voted Yes
Dan Mitchell	Voted Yes
Tom Sandbloom	Voted Yes
Marie Serafin	Voted Yes

The motion passed.

Chairperson Dan Mitchell said he would get the new Zoning Ordinances Document to Michelle at CUPAD tomorrow morning. Dan indicated he will request Michelle to mail out the document to the Republic Township Board and to the surrounding Townships.

7. Old Business: None.
8. Small Scale Alternative Energy: Chairperson Dan Mitchell brought out the fact that the Planning Commission should address "Small Scale Alternative Energy".

Bill Payne informed the Planning Commission, that he has good information on Solar Energy. He indicated he would E-Mail this information to each Planning Commission member.

Fire Safety In Republic Township: Chairperson Dan Mitchell informed the Planning Commission, that the Republic Township Volunteer Fire Department is not consulted on their yearly budget. There is no communication between the Volunteer Fire Department and the Republic Township Board.

After much discussion it was decided that Chairperson Dan Mitchell, would write a letter to the Republic Township Volunteer Fire Department Chief inviting him to attend a Planning Commission meeting to discuss this issue.

Jim Brennan made a motion that the Planning Commission request the Republic Township Volunteer Fire Department to submit a Capital Expenditure Budget for 2011 to the Planning Commission. Tom Sandbloom seconded the motion.

The motion Passed.

Chairperson Dan Mitchell did note for the record, that the Planning Commission does have the authority under the Enabling Act, to request this Budget Proposal for Capital Expenditures.

9. Adjournment: Jim Brennan made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Marie Serafin seconded the motion. The motion passed.

The meeting Adjourned at 5:54 P.M.