

Michigamme Township Planning Commission

Minutes of Jun 16, 2022

Present: Julia Leake, Terry McBride, Jolene Klumpp, Ruth Starr, (Zoning Administrator Erin Bertucci), absent: Kay Frisk

Call to order: 6:00 pm

I. Pledge to Allegiance.

II. First order of business: Approval of 16 June Agenda, motion by T. McBride, 2nd by R. Starr: Approval of May 12th Minutes, motion by R. Starr, 2nd by T. McBride. Both motions pass.

III. Old Business:

1. Jolene brought up the issue of the *blight ordinance* needing to be updated from 08/30/13.
2. Painting houses, deteriorating houses in need of repair to include broken windows on Main Street.
3. Erin mentioned volunteers to help out.
4. Julia reference junk still in yards being a bigger fish to fry. Members agreed to change violations.
5. Erin brought up civil infractions, blight cleanup cost go on the tax roll. Violations must be clear!
6. Julia wants to start with museum garage bldg. on township property to be torn down; as the liaison, she will mention to township board.
7. Blight tour, Green Rd, Schultz family; create a top 10 list to start (dangerous Bldg ordinance). Civil infraction discussion with present ordinance.
8. Week of Aug 22nd blight tour, publication out by 1 Aug 2022; Web site info; poster in Post Office and blight file to be created by Erin.
9. Shipping container ordinance, no tiny houses allowed should be noted. Not allowed in township development one! **Motion by Julia to start work meeting on ordinance July 14, 5:30 pm. Second by R. Starr. All in favor...Yes!**
10. Township Survey to be accomplished: change wording to be very clear. T. McBride to Jeremy for typing.
11. Reference K. Frisk Animal zoning ltr. Postponed; Motion T. McBride, second R. Starr.
12. Jolene: Reference **article V signs** and freedom of speech derogatory signs. Motion to move Article V "signs" to Township Board by Julia; second Ruth Starr: All Ayes!

IV. New Business:

1. Township resident survey re-accomplished.
2. Erin checking with Assessor reference B. Dogs BBQ.
3. ID name tag for Erin.

V. Correspondence: **None**

VI. Zoning Administrator report (Erin):

1. Zoning permit explained reference Pole Barn with assessor.
2. Site visits continue:
3. Complaints of He said/she said reference dog grooming business with no business license; additionally barking problem since 2009. Township could be sued if neglected. Not fair to dogs, neighbors, township, etc. Rules have to be followed!
4. Erin reached out to Sherriff's Dept and attorney Zappa reference noise. Zappa wants all info forwarded to him before any action.
5. Erin needs an ID Name tag to accomplish her mission professionally.

VII. Public comment:

1. Brought up construction noise traveling across the bay from Black Road.

VIII. Adjournment: 8:00 pm.

IX: Next Meeting: July 14, 2022: 5:30 pm working group.