

Preliminary Minutes

Planning Commission Meeting			
070721		7:00 pm	Township Office
Meeting called by	Jim T at 7pm		
Type of meeting	Planning Commission		
Chairperson	Jim Tarkowski -Chairman. Dave Pachulski- Co-Chair		
Secretary	Joe Tarkowski -Secretary		
Timekeeper	Timekeeper name		
Attendees	(x)Jim Tarkowski (x)J.Borek (x)D.Pachulski (x) Joe Tarkowski (x) D Hassert (x) R. Ostrander (x) D. Stephans		
Approval of Agenda			
Discussion	D.Pachulski made a motion to approve the agenda with switching the new business for Smyrna Tavern to first because of the crowd. J. Borek gave support.		
Conclusions	Approved 7-0		
Approval of PC Meeting Minutes from Previous Meeting			
Discussion	D. Pachulski made a motion to approve the minutes and Joe Tarkowski gave support.		
Conclusions	Approved 7-0		
Zoning Administer Report			
Discussion	Roger Reported D. Pachulski made a motion to follow Rogers recommendation to approve item 21-38 for a level 1 home based business. D. Hassert gave support. Approved 7-0		
Action Items	Person Responsible	Deadline	

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Action item 1		
Action item 2		
Correspondence/Reports		
Discussion	Roger Reported	
Action Items	Person Responsible	Deadline
Action item 1		
Action item 2		
Board / Committee Reports		
Discussion	<p>J. Borek reported from the board that they are discussing taking some trees out and trimming others near the park. Trees are marked accordingly. Looking into workmans comp.</p> <p>Jim Tarkowski reported on the ZBA from last month. They had to table the Smyrna Tavern variance because there is no survey to know where the property line is so they could not approve</p>	
Conclusions		
Old Business		
	None	
Discussion		
Conclusions		
Action Items	Person Responsible	Deadline
Action item 1		
Action item 2		

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New Business	
7:09	Special Use permit for Smyrna Tavern
Discussion	<p>Smyrna Tavern is looking to get a special use permit for outdoor entertainment from 11am to 11pm to host music in the new back yard. Outside seating between dining and lounge/grass areas could push around 100 people. They have been doing outdoor music in front of the building for the last 1.5 years plus with no complaints to the township.</p> <p>Public Comments: see below and attached letters sent in.</p> <p>One resident/Neighbor is in favor of this but thinks 10pm would be good for stopping music.</p> <p>One resident/neighbor 2 houses down enjoys the music from his house but realizes some people have different jobs that require different sleep patterns so he thinks we should put strict hours on it and said in the 10-11 time frame would be good.</p> <p>Next door neighbor to the bar is good with whatever time the Tavern would like but thinks 11 would be a good time given the county noise ordinance</p> <p>One resident likes how the Tavern has cleaned up its act from the previous owners and that has made it a more kid friendly environment and that is good for the community and we should not hamper their ability to make money.</p> <p>One local business owner asked about parking for such large events.</p> <p>One resident sighted how this live music and that food brings people from out of the local area in and that is a good thing for the tavern and township.</p> <p>One Resident did not like to hear the music when she opened her windows at night.</p> <p>Multiple comments from residents outside of the township on how they love coming to these weekly events to hear music and enjoy the good food. They stated that with all the hardships from covid the township should not be slowing down the progress of the outdoor venue.</p> <p>The planning commission discussed putting different times on different days of the week but felt it was too hard to apply given holidays and special events. Also polled the members on whether they thought 10 or 11 would be the best.</p> <p>Joe Tarkowski made a motion to grant the Smyrna Tavern a special use permit for outdoor entertainment from 11am to 11pm daily. R. Ostrander gave support.</p>

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Conclusions	Passed with a vote of 5-2 with D. Hassert and J. Borek voting against.		
Motion to Approve	Person Responsible	Deadline	
New Business			
8:15	Ostrum Road Property		
Discussion	<p>Owners are looking to build a house on the property in the next 2 years and in the meantime build a temporary living quarters on the existing barn.</p> <p>Public Comments:</p> <p>One neighbor was in favor because it would help rid the neighborhood of some illegal activity in the area.</p> <p>One neighbor asked about property line setback and how they would prefer them to build farther away from lines.</p> <p>Member discussion: what would happened to temporary living quarters once the house is built?</p> <p>2 houses on ag property with the plan to preserve ag property</p> <p>Owners want to move the house from site plan given in the special use</p> <p>.</p> <p>Joe Tarkowski made a motion to table this to next meeting. D. Pachulski gave support.</p>		
Conclusion	Approver 7-0		
Action Items	Person Responsible	Deadline	
Asked the owners to restake the house site and update site plan with correct measurements and more detail			

Public Comment	
Discussion	None

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Action items		Person Responsible	Deadline
Closing Comments			
Discussion			
Adjourn			
9:15			
	R.Ostrander motioned to adjourn and D. Hassert gave support		
	Passed 7-0		
Motion to Approve		Person Responsible	Deadline

Respectfully Submitted
 Joe Tarkowski, Secretary