

Minutes of the Meeting of the Avon Township Planning Commission

August 31, 2011

Avon Township Hall

Call to Order: Chairman Mergen called to order the regular meeting of the Planning Commission at 7:30 P.M. in the main Chamber of the Town Hall.

Pledge: Clerk Saupe led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call: Present – Ken Mergen, Roger Nelson, Gerry Kremers, Lowell Rushmeyer, and Stephen Saupe.

Approval of Agenda: Ray Woitalla was added to the agenda. Mergen moved to approve the agenda as amended. Kremers second. All in favor. Motion carried.

Minutes: Nelson moved to approve the minutes of the July 27, 2011 meeting. Rushmeyer second. All in favor. Motion carried.

Public Hearing: none scheduled.

Business:

1. **Kulas Plat** – Mr. Dan Kulas appeared to seek approval for a preliminary plat for Schmitz Acres. Mergen moved to recommend to the Board of Supervisors to approve the preliminary plat for Schmitz Acres. Nelson second. All in favor. Motion carried.
2. **Woitalla Plat** – Mr. Raymond Woitalla appeared to seek approval for a one-lot plat (Poverty Shores) on Red Maple Drive. Mr. Woitalla wants to split land from his farm to construct a home. The plat doesn't show the ordinary high water level (OHWL) or surface water drainage patterns, both of which are required by the County. In addition, the platted property doesn't have adequate shoreline (150 required). Mr. Woitalla stated he opted to build in the platted location because it allows him access to his farm, and provides easy access to a road and powerline. Mr. Woitalla has two options – leave the plat as it is and obtain a variance from the 150-foot shoreline rule; or split the parcel leaving the lake shore with the original farm parcel. Rushmeyer moved that Planning Commission takes no exception to the preliminary plat and has no objection to a one-lot plat or to a variance, assuming both meet County requirements. Mergen second. All in favor. Motion carried.
3. **Saupe Variance** – Mr. Stephen Saupe appeared to request a variance to construct a garage 63 feet from the centerline of Scenic View Dr (145th Ave) and 78 feet from the centerline of 325th St. Rushmeyer moved to recommend to the Supervisors to set a public hearing for September 28th at 8:00 PM to consider the variance request. Mergen second. All in favor. Motion carried.

Announcements:

1. Avon Hills – Rushmeyer reported that the Avon Hills group met and are planning for their conference in January or February. They are looking for volunteers for speakers, sponsors, etc.
2. Joint Planning Board – no news
3. Solar Panels – Mr. LeRoy Gondringer announced that incentives offered by the State and Excel provide up to about 90% of the cost of solar panels. We will investigate the possibility of

adding solar panels to the Town facility.

4. Blattner Addition – Gondringer announced that he had been working on fixing plugged up manholes/sewers in the Blattner Addition. Lange Excavating has been helping to locate the source of the problem and is working on the situation.

Adjournment: Rushmeyer moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:50 PM. Kremers second. All in favor. Motion carried.

Next Meeting: The next meeting is September 28, 2011 at 7:30 PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Stephen Saupe, Clerk

Minutes amended & approved:

Ken Mergen, Chair

Date

Stephen Saupe, Clerk

Date