Minutes of the Meeting of the Avon Township Planning Commission

July 30, 2014 Avon Township Hall (16881 Queens Road, Avon)

Call to Order: Chairman Mergen called to order the regular meeting of the Avon Township Planning Commission at 7:30 PM. in the Main Chamber of the Town Hall.

Pledge: Deputy Clerk Gondringer led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call: Present - LeRoy Gondringer, Gerry Kremers, Will Huston, Ken Mergen, and (Deputy Clerk) Marion Gondringer. Absent - Stephen Saupe. Also present - John Merdan (Supervisor), Joe Koopmeiners (Maintenance).

Approval of Agenda: Huston moved to approve the agenda as amended. Gondringer second. All in favor. Motion carried.

Minutes: Kremers moved to approve the minutes of the June 25, 2014 meeting as presented. Gondringer second. Motion carried by a vote of 3 to 0. Huston abstained because of his absence at the June meeting.

Public Hearings - none scheduled

Scheduled Business:

1. Schneider driveway permit variance: Mergen presented the Township's position on this issue at the County meeting.

2. Tony Ebnet variance to build an addition onto their home. Variance is for construction of an addition located 52 feet from the center of the road. Motion by Gondringer to recommend to the Board of Supervisors to set a public hearing date of August 27 at 7:45. Second by Mergen. All in favor. Motion carried. Motion by Huston to recommend to the Board of Supervisors that the variance fee for the public hearing be reduced due to the fact that the addition was part of the original public hearing that took place, which included the driveway permit. Second by Gondringer. All in favor. Motion carried.

3. Wobegon Trail parking: Cliff Borgerding presented information on the Wobegon Trail in reference to parking needs along Township road areas. Borgerding stated that he simply was presenting information to the Commission and no assistance by the Town was requested.

4. Mailboxes: Supervisors would like input on an idea of installing breakaway mailbox posts along Township roads as they are resurfaced. Considerations for this need and for costs were discussed. The Planning Commission suggests the possibility of having the maintenance employee construct the posts to save expense.

5. Road Map: Planning commission examined the map and made corrections to be added. The Commission feels the map is adequate and a copy of the map should be laminated and posted in the maintenance building for use by the maintenance employee.

6. Driveway Notification Form: Reviewed. The Commission suggests that item numbers 1 and 2 be reversed in order. Motion by Huston to recommend to the Board of Supervisors their approval of the form as corrected. Second by Mergen. All in favor. Motion carried.

7. Driveway standards: Motion by Mergen to recommend to the Board of Supervisors their approval after changes suggested by Commission. Second by Kremers. All in favor. Motion carried.

8. Variance standards / Finding of Facts: Motion by Gondringer to recommend to Supervisors to pass the resolution for driveway standards as well as for Finding of Facts. Second by Mergen. Motion carried by a vote of 3 to 0. Huston abstained because of his absence at the June meeting.

9. Driveway permit form evaluation: Motion by Mergen to recommend to the Board of Supervisors their approval of the Driveway Access Permit form as corrected. Second by Huston. All in favor. Motion carried.

Adjournment: Motion by Huston to adjourn meeting at 9:10 PM. Second by Mergen. All in favor. Motion carried.

Next Meeting: The next meeting is August 27, 2014 at 7:30 PM.

Respectfully submitted, Marion J. Gondringer, Clerk

Approval:

Ken Mergen, Chair

Date

Attest:

Date