

Minutes of the Meeting of the Avon Township Planning Commission

October 28, 2020

Avon Township Hall (16881 Queens Road, Avon)

Call to Order: Chair LeRoy Gondringer called to order the meeting of the Avon Township Planning Commission at 7:00 PM in the Main Chamber of the Town Hall.

Pledge: The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Roll Call: Present – LeRoy Gondringer, Ken Mergen, Kamela Mohs, Rich Sanoski, and Stephen Saupe. Also present – Kelly Martini.

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

Minutes: Mergen moved to approve the minutes from the September 30, 2020 meeting as presented. Sanoski second. All in favor. Motion carried.

Public Hearings: *none scheduled*

Business:

1. **Red Maple Drive** – residents along Red Maple Drive have been parking on the south side of the road. The owner of this property has installed no parking signs along the road leading to a conflict. Although the property owner on the south side of the road has the right to install signs on his property, the signs cannot be in the Town road right-of-way (ROW). One problem is that the exact extent of the ROW is not clear because the road is not centered in the ROW. The discussion noted that the lots along the lake are small so there is little room for visitors to park, except along the south side of the road. However, PC members emphasized that parked vehicles cannot block access by emergency vehicles, nor are they permitted to park on the roadside for overnight camping. No clear solution to the problem exists. The PC recommends continuing to monitor the situation to see how it develops next year.
2. **Dufner Driveway** – A letter received from the MAT attorney provided some clarification about the parking pad created in the road ROW by a resident on Parkwood Circle. The PC recommends that he must immediately dig out the ditch. Further actions will depend on any additional complaints that are received.
3. **Road Maintenance Plan** – Koopmeiners provided an updated evaluation of the roads. The PC examined and discussed the ratings, and then rated each road based on its estimated usage. These data are summarized in Tables 1 & 2. The analysis showed that the average usage of Town roads is light (4.2 out of 5), in part because 28 (45.2%) of the roads are dead-ends. The average condition of Town roads is 3.3 (best = 5), which is barely better than in 2018 (3.2 average). About half (42.3%) of the roads are now in excellent to very good condition.

At the next meeting, the PC will make recommendations on road replacements. Approximately two miles per year will be resurfaced. The plan will be to prioritize the highest use roads in the worst condition for resurfacing. It was suggested to contact Holding Township about a joint project on Two Rivers Road.

Table 1. Avon Township Road Rating from 2018 & 2020				
	2018		2020	
Road Quality	# Roads	% Roads	# Roads	% Roads
5 (best)	7	12.1	14	23.7
4	16	27.6	11	18.6
3	22	37.9	18	30.5
2	10	17.2	11	18.6
1	3	5.2	5	8.5

Table 2. Avon Township Roads Categorized by Quality & Usage. Low use roads are in category 4 & 5). High use roads are in categories 1, 2 & 3; specific number given in parentheses.		
Worst Road Quality (1 & 2)	Medium Road Quality (3)	Best Road Quality (4 & 5)
<p>Low Usage</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 140th Ave. • 145th Ave. • 185th Ave. (trailer road) • 360th St. (central; Preusser) • 363rd St. • 370th St. (west, Co Rd 9) • Kopyy Lane • Lower Spunk Lane • Narnia Lane • Noble Oak Circle • Nob Hill Drive (north) • Red Maple Drive • Red Oak Circle • Spunk Tree Circle <p>High Usage</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 190th Ave. (3) • Parkwood Circle (3) • Two Rivers Road (part, 3) 	<p>Low Usage</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 185th Ave. (north section) • 188th Ave. • 360th St. (east of 155; Macijieski) • 365th St. • 370th St. (E of 155) • Nob Hill Drive • Nordica Road • Plum Hill Road • Princewood Road • Sara Lane <p>High Usage</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1st St. SE (3) • 135th Ave. (3) • 355th St. (1) • 360th St. (west) (2) • Pelican Lake Road (2) • Queens Road (2) • St. Anna Drive (3) • Tower Road (3) 	<p>Low Usage</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 154th Ave. • 165th Ave. • 175th Ave. • 182nd Ave. • 186th Ave • 325th St. • 331st St. • 360th St. (west of 155; Pierskalla) • 365th (min) • 370th St. (W of 155) • 377th St. • Cardinal Nest • Highland Terrace • Peach Drive • Meadowview Road • Norman Road • Orchid Court • Riley Court • Shorewood Drive • Springwood Lane • Sunnyfield Circle • Two Rivers Road (part) <p>High Usage</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 160th Ave. (2) • Quaker Road (2) • Norway Road (1) • Upper Spunk Lake Road (2)

4. **CARES Funding** – The PC recommends the Supervisors consider adding a laptop computer to the CARES ACT funding request. The computer would be used to run the new AV system as well as by Town officials on a need basis.

Old Business: To be considered at a future meeting: Comprehensive Plan and Vacating Peach Drive N.

Announcements/Reports:

1. **Political Slogans** – vandals spray painted political slogans on 325th St. They will be left until after the election and then covered/removed.
2. **Card** – a card for our housekeeper will be signed at the Supervisors meeting.

Adjournment: Sanoski moved to adjourn the meeting at about 8:15 PM. Mohs second. All in favor. Motion carried.

Other Meetings: The next PC meeting is November 25, 2020 at 7:00 PM. It was suggested that because this meeting is the evening before Thanksgiving and since there is little business, the meeting could be cancelled. The General Election is Tuesday, Nov 3rd and the next Supervisor’s Meeting is Nov 4th.

Respectfully submitted,
Stephen G. Saupe, Clerk

Signature: _____

date: October 31, 2020

Approval:

LeRoy Gondringer, Planning Commission Chair – signature

date: _____