

Vergennes Township
Planning Commission
May 5, 2014

Meeting opened at 7:05 pm.

Roll Call – Jernberg, Mastrovito, Post, Rasch and Gillett present.

Motion by Post to approve minutes from February 3, 2014 meeting as written, seconded by Gillett.
Motion passed.

A motion was made to approve the agenda as written by Gillett, seconded by Jernberg. Motion passed.

1. Public Hearing on amendments to zoning ordinance.

Jeanne Vandersloot gave short synopsis of changes. One of the main changes was to the industrial district, under special exception uses. Items listed under 6 and 7 were moved from permitted uses to special exception uses to allow for more review by Township. Jeanne looked at ordinances from several other townships to ensure she had covered most items.

State law requires that each use be specifically stated in ordinance. Unclassified categories are no longer allowed.

Gillett confirmed that the Township Board was in agreement with the modifications as written.

Post made a motion to accept the modifications as outlined in red in the handout to the Commission regarding commercial and industrial districts 201.308 and 201.309. Gillett seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Public hearing opened and closed at 7:13 pm. There was no one in the audience.

Announcements

None

General Public Comment

Michelle Griffeon, a high school student working on a government class assignment, came in after the public hearing. She needed information on what the Planning Commission's purpose was. Scott Jernberg explained the purpose and that they just had a public hearing to make changes to the Zoning Ordinance. It now moves to the Township Board for final approval. She was given a copy of the meeting packet, along with Jeanne Vandersloot's number in case she had further questions.

Gillett motioned to close the meeting, Mastrovito seconded.

Next meeting: July 7, 2014.