Vergennes Township Planning Commission

September 28, 2015

The original meeting was scheduled for 6 pm, prior to the Joint Planning Commission meeting. There was not a quorum so the meeting was not called to order. There were several neighbors in the audience with questions about what the proposed ordinance for the Little Farms Plat meant. Jeanne Vandersloot handed out copies of the ordinance and went over the reasons for it. None of the neighbors had any issues with it after reading it through. They left at approximately 6:30 pm.

The meeting was called to order by Jernberg at 8:10 pm after the Joint Meeting.

Roll call: Jernberg, Gillett, Makuski were present. Mastrovito and Rosema were absent. Both had let us know prior to the meeting.

The minutes from the June 29, 2015 meeting were approved as written. The agenda was approved without changes.

1. Ordinance Amendments – Little Farms Plat Overlay District – Public Hearing

The public hearing was open at 8:13 pm. As noted above, the three neighbors present earlier had no issues with the ordinance once they understood what it was. There was one email comment sent in by Bogdanik. He was in favor of the ordinance. The public hearing was closed at 8:14 pm.

Vandersloot noted that between the Planner and the Attorney reviews, some of the numbers and letters were out of order and two uses could be combined as they were basically the same. The Planning Commission had no comment or further discussion.

Gillett made a motion to recommend approval of the Ordinance, with the clerical changes, to the Township Board. Makuski supports. The motion passed.

2. Other Business

The regularly scheduled October 5 meeting has been cancelled because it was held in conjunction with the joint meeting tonight. The 2016 meeting dates need to be set. 2016 is an election year so those dates need to be considered in setting the schedule. It was decided to hold regular Planning Commission meetings on February 1, May 2, August 2, and October 3, 2016. Additional meeting dates will be added on an as needed basis.

There were no announcements or public comment.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:18 pm with a motion by Jernberg, supported by Gillett.

The next regularly scheduled meeting is February 1, 2016.