

**RAISINVILLE TOWNSHIP  
JOINT PLANNING & ZBA  
COMMISSION MINUTES  
July 20, 2015 7:00 pm meeting**

Planning Commission meeting called to order 7/20/2015 with the Pledge of Allegiance.

**ROLL CALL:** Craig Assenmacher, Tom Woelmer, Mike Jaworski, Ann Nickel-Swinkey, John Delmotte and Adam McLaughlin were present. Jim Nocella was absent. A quorum was established.

**EXCUSED:**

**APPROVAL of MINUTES for PC: Motion** by Tom Woelmer to approve the minutes of the May 18<sup>th</sup> 2015 meeting. **Supported** by Craig Assenmacher, **Motion carried.**

**NEW BUSINESS:** Introduction of new member Adam McLaughlin due to Troy Goodnough resigning as Chairperson.

**Motion** by Ann Nickel-Swinkey to open Nominations for Chairperson. **Supported** by John Delmotte. **Motion carried.**

**Motion** by Ann Nickel-Swinkey to nominate John Delmotte for Chairperson. **Supported** by Tom Woelmer.

**Motion** by Craig Assenmacher to nominate Mike Jaworski. **Support- none. Motion failed.**

**Motion** by Tom Woelmer to close nominations. **Supported** by Craig Assenmacher. **Motion carried.**

**Motion** for unanimous support for John Delmotte.

**Motion carried.**

**PUBLIC HEARING:** No Public Hearing

**OLD BUSINESS:** No old business.

**NEXT MEETING:** August 17, 2015 for PC

Jason Miller may have some issues for next meeting.

**MISCELLANEOUS:**

a.) ZBA meeting called to order for July 20, 2015

Roll call: Keith Henderson, Rick Milner, Keith Siebarth, Mike Sperling, Craig Assenmacher and Patrick Fetterly present. Mark Manor absent.

Motion by Mike Sperling to approve minutes. Supported by Rick Milner.

Motion Carried.

No New Business

No Old Business  
No Public Hearing

- b.) Introduction of New Planner: Lucie Fortin, Mannik & Smith Group. She indicated she can offer training if the Township is interested.
- c.) Joint discussion regarding the current Zoning Book and Future Land Use Plan
  - a. PC Chairman Delmotte: stated the importance of updating the Ordinances into Zoning
  - b. PC Vice Chairman Jaworski asked if this could be PDF'd to ease in amending of ordinances. As far as he knows the Township does not have this in electronic form
  - c. Lucie- Glossary of Terms and Revision History
  - d. ZBA Chairman- make it more "user friendly"
  - e. Keith Seibarth wants to explore Ordinance concerning deep injection wells. Lucie noted legal implications on this topic
  - f. PC Vice Chairman Jaworski wants to emphasize timely response to the public
  - g. PC member Tom Woelmer asked if the Zoning Ordinance Book could be segregated by section?
  - h. Craig Assenmacher said all members should just get I PADS
- d.) Tom Woelmer (PC member) stated the Township Board members did not pass our last sand ordinance draft
  - a. However, new board members have expressed an interest in one. Could we explore that?
  - b. Tom tenders one from 2003
  - c. Ann Nickel-Swinkey to look for one that the PC drafted since then
- e.) Lucie questioned the numbering of the amendments and how the number system works. She is updating and will try to accomplish in 90 days
- f.) MASTER PLAN (Lucie)
  - a. Mentions it is good until 2017
  - b. New Enabling Action in 2008
    - i. Needs a zoning plan that corresponds with the long range
  - c. Survey? Needs public opinion in our plan
  - d. Mike Sperling- says we need to rethink having a Township Newsletter.
    - i. We have no Website- rethink that with Township Board
  - e. Public Meeting- Planner suggests a meeting for input.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS:** None

**NEXT MEETING:** ZBA to be determined

**SWEARING IN:** of new Planning Commission member, Adam McLaughlin

**ADJOURN: Planning Commission- Motion** to adjourn by Ann Nickel-Sweeney.  
**Supported** by Mike Jaworski **Motion carried.** Meeting adjourned

**ADJOURN: ZBA-** Motion to adjourn by Keith Henderson. Supported by Mike Sperling.  
Motion Carried. Meeting Adjourned

Meeting ended at 8:00 p.m.

Minutes are preliminary until approved.  
Ann Nickel-Swinkey, Planning Commission Secretary