

May 7, 2024

Goodwell Township Planning meeting.

All Members present: Alec Dakin, Luke Eising, John Miedema, Shelley Cook, Dave Grveles, Tim Maxson, and Clint Cook. Also present were Zoning Admin Bob Birr and Township Supervisor John Tow and Treasurer Rachel Belcher.

First order of business was to vote for board positions. Tim Maxson nominated John Miedema for chairperson. Was supported by Luke Eising, Alec Dakin Nominated himself there was no support. John Miedema was approved for the chair. Secondly after discussion Tim Maxson nominated himself for Secretary Clint Cook seconded Tim Maxson was approved for secretary.

Minutes from Feb 6 Motion to approve from Luke Eising, Supported by Shelley Cook. Motion approved with Alec Dakin abstaining.

Minutes from March 4 meeting. Motion to approve from Dave Grveles, supported by Luke Eising Motion approved with Alec Dakin abstaining.

Bob Birr the Zoning Admin brought his report to the board and there were 7 applications for zoning that were handed out.

Alec Dakin started a discussion about the state of our by-laws He made a motion to initiate creation or updating the bylaws for the planning committee. Tim Maxson seconded motion was approved.

Alec started a discussion to determine administration of the budget and also made a motion to do so. There was no support for the motion as many questions about the monies allocated from the main board's budget could be determined by planning.

Alec then brought up discussion on working on the annual report and the state mandate to have one as well as what that would look like. In the report there should be a statement of the operation, status, recommendations and needs of the planning board.

Alec then made a motion that we should address the main board's capital outlay and its review of by the planning board. There was no support as again there were questions about the boards report responsibilities in the matter.

Alec then brought up the Master plan and the desire to get started on its review however member Shelley Cook showed that this would be premature because the old Master plan is only 3 years old at the moment.

Alec then brought up the board's removal of the Special events ordinance and asked for discussion and that was tabled by the chairperson.

Luke Eising then brought up the Exceptional uses portion of the plan and the desire to make home-based businesses and cottage industries added specifically to the ordinance so as to make an avenue so that these situations would be accessible to the residents of the township. He brought several example ordinances and the board seemed interested in moving forward with this matter.

Dave Grveles made a motion to adjourn and this was seconded by Clint Cook and the motion passed.