

SHERMAN TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION

MEETING MINUTES

June 14, 2023

1. Meeting called to order 7:00 pm. Pledge
2. Roll Call:
 - Present: Al Smalligan, Doug Berens, Wayne Berens, Jim VanBoven, Butch Deur, Don Clark
 - Absent: Mark Kukal
3. Approval of Agenda: 1st by Doug Berens and 2nd by Don Clark
4. Approval of Meeting Minutes: 1st by Al Smalligan and 2nd by Wayne Berens
5. Public Comments (3 minutes): None
6. Communications:
 - Chairman's Comments: City of White Cloud wanted to let us know that they are in the process of updating their Master Plan.
7. Existing Business: Report from Ordinance Committee on list of changes.
 - The Board is aware that there are changes being made.
 - There was nothing deleted. There were additions to the existing ordinance.
 - Much discuss was had around Section 17.15 Home Business Occupations.
 - The change in number 2 was going to allow an unattached structure in Ag District to change from not to exceed 2400 square feet to not to exceed 4000 square feet.
 - The changes in number 3 added types of businesses that would be allowed in the Ag District.
 - There was much discussion as to what business should be allowed and not everyone was in agreement. Ryan will be making changes to bring to the planning commission for the July meeting.
 - The Board discussed having a 250 ft set back on 40+ acres.
 - Ryan is going to work on this change and bring it to the July Meeting.
8. New Business: Set Public Meeting?
 - This will be set at a future meeting.
9. Review: None
10. Public Comment:
 - Ken Smalligan did not like changes. He wanted to know why we were opening Ag District to non Ag businesses. Does not feel that we should increase the unattached structure in the Ag District to 4000 sq ft.
11. Adjournment: 8:13pm

Respectfully submitted by,
Christina Berens

