

MARION TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING September 6, 2016 Township Building

Present: Matt Wensel, John R. Dillon, Christie Holloway and Angel Emery (Temporary Recorder)

Guests: Archie Gettig Jr.

Chairman Wensel, called the meeting to order at 7:31 p.m., followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

On a motion by Wensel and second by Holloway, motion passed to approve June 7th minutes as presented 3-0.

Discussion was held about the July 5th minutes regarding the discussion of the ten year plan and the guests at said meeting adamantly stating that Marion Township should stay agricultural.

On a motion by Dillon and second by Wensel, motion passed to approve July 5th minutes as presented 2-0. (Holloway abstained from voting as she was not in attendance at the meeting)

Public Comments: None

New Business:

Wensel began going over notes he took during the special meeting held August 16, 2016 with the Board of Supervisors to work on the draft ordinance regarding livestock and bee keeping in Marion Township. Discussion was held about a few adjustments that may need made before presenting the draft to the zoning officer and solicitor. There was discussion about agricultural clubs such as 4-H, it was determined that prize money shall not be considered commercial. Holloway will add more in depth wording regarding agricultural clubs and pets vs. livestock so that there is no confusion before the draft is sent to be reviewed. Weight needs to offer information about what fees he feels are appropriate for the amount of work that will need done. After the zoning officer and solicitor approve the draft, it will be put into format for the BOS, upon their approval, it shall be made available to the public for review before a public hearing is held.

Discussion was held about Melissa Lachat's email asking to have her pony on her lot on Nittany Ridge Road under an emergency circumstance where her boarding is no longer available. Discussion was held about the size of her lot and the size of her pony and it was determined that more information is needed from Lachat before a decision can be made. Wensel will write an email to Lachat asking for the information the planning commission will need.

Wensel made a motion to adjourn meeting at 8:13 p.m.

Angel Emery, Temporary Recorder

Matt Wensel, Chairman

Christie Holloway, Vice Chairman

John R. Dillon