

December 7, 2021

Planning and Zoning Board Minutes

Members present: John Meidema, Jacob Tow, Clint Cook, Rachel Belcher, Donald Maxson.

Public Comment: Jill Leslie asked about the possibility of noise ordinance. There was concern about the ordinance as well as wanting to not just push it through at the present time considering the interest in finishing the remaining work on our Zoning book revamp. The Chair tabled the matter until a later date. Also there was similar discussion on the idea of modifying the ordinance to address the provisions for permitting of wind and solar commercial power applications.

However it was agreed by all that a need to have a required special use public meeting should be added for all future commercial wind or solar energy generation projects. This will be taken up at the next following meeting of this board.

The proposed updated zoning book was given to the board and examined by all. There were two small detail changes that were discussed and approved by all to the printed proposed ordinance. One was of substance and the other was regarding a clerical note. The ordinance was approved with these two amendments after a Motion by John Meidema, seconded by Jacob Tow with a unanimous vote by voice of all members present.

The board agreed on the new meeting dates for the year 2022: Feb 8, May10, Aug 9, and November 1.

Robert Birr gave a report on the latest zoning applications and an update on the progress on the blighted structure on Elm Ave. Also mentioned was the issue of Equalization and the lack of response from them as regarding land splits.

John Meidema motioned for the end of the meeting Rachel seconded all approved.