

**MARION TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION
AGENDA AND MINUTES**

September 23, 2014

7:00 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER:

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIENCE:

INTRODUCTION OF MEMBERS:

APPROVAL OF AGENDA FOR: *September 23, 2014 Regular Meeting*

APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM: *August 26, 2014 Regular Meeting*

CALL TO THE PUBLIC:

OLD BUSINESS:

1) *Section 17.10 C #1 a; C #3 a 5 & C #4 b - Wireless Communication Support Facilities – amend distance requirements*

2) *Proposed amendments to Section 6.07 Accessory Uses and Structures*

NEW BUSINESS:

1) *Planning Commission members elect Co-Chair*

CALL TO THE PUBLIC:

ADJOURNMENT:

MINUTES - SEPTEMBER 23, 2014

MEMBERS PRESENT: JERRY SIDLAR, CHAIR
CHERYL RANGE, SECRETARY
BOB HANVEY
CHARLIE MUSSON

MEMBERS ABSENT: LARRY GRUNN

OTHERS PRESENT: ANNETTE MCNAMARA, ZONING ADMINISTRATOR
SALLY ELMIGER, CARLISLE/WORTMAN, ASSOC

CALL TO ORDER

Jerry Sidlar called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Bob Hanvey asked to have the election vice-chair to be postponed to the annual organization meeting in November. Bob Hanvey motioned to approve the agenda as amended. Cheryl Range seconded. **Motion Carried 4-0.**

INTRODUCTION OF MEMBERS

The members of the Planning Commission introduced themselves. Larry Grunn was absent.

CALL TO THE PUBLIC

Jerry Sidlar opened the call to the public.

No response.

Jerry Sidlar closed the call to the public.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

August 26, 2014 Regular meeting minutes

Multiple corrections were made to the minutes. Bob Hanvey motioned to approve the August 26, 2014 minutes as amended. Cheryl Range seconded. **Motion Carried 4-0.**

NEW BUSINESS

No new business.

OLD BUSINESS

Section 17.10 Communication Towers (Wireless Communication Facilities)

The Planning Commission members reviewed the amendments, the decision was made to have the text reflect the language in PA 110 of 2006.

Bob Hanvey motioned to postpone this agenda item the October 28, 2014 meeting. Cheryl Range seconded.

Motion Carried 4-0.

Section 6.07 Accessory Uses and Structures & definitions

There was extensive discussion on the definition of a lean-to.

Greg Durbin, 4389 Sundance Crossing; a lean-to is attached to a garage or a barn, it's not a living area, not used as a dwelling and is not a taxable structure. A porch has furniture on it, people use it as an extension of the home.

The Planning Commission members reviewed the additional tiers that were added to the table. A consensus was not reached.

Sally Elmiger suggested allowing larger structures on parcels with a special use permit. Marion Township would have more control.

The Planning Commission members agreed this may take care of the concerns that larger structures will be used to run a business out of.

Charlie Musson motioned to postpone until the October 28, 2014 meeting. Bob Hanvey seconded. **Motion**

Carried 4-1.

CALL TO THE PUBLIC

Jerry Sidlar opened the call to the public.

Mike Kollath, 3144 Combine Court asked the Planning Commission members if the square footage of accessory structures that were reviewed tonight are the numbers that will be put in place.

Bob Hanvey answered, maybe not.

Jerry Sidlar closed the call to the public.

ADJOURNMENT

Bob Hanvey motioned to adjourn the meeting at 8:10 p.m. Cheryl Range seconded. **Motion carried 4-0.**