

Porter Township
Planning Commission
Regular Meeting Minutes
August 5, 2020

Start Time : Meeting began at 7:00 pm.

Members Present: Doug Noble, Jr., Heather Smith, Andrew Nesbitt, David Kindt, Jerry Fuentes, Tanya Blanchard, Tim Seppala, John Miller, Steve Cornish

Members Absent: None

Zoning Administrator : Rich McGrew

Approval of Agenda : Andrew Nesbitt approves, Tanya Blanchard seconds, all in favor, agenda approved as written.

Approval of Minutes : Steve Cornish motions to approve the July Regular Meeting Minutes as written, Tim Seppala seconds. July Regular Meeting Minutes approved as written.

Additions to Agenda : None

Correspondence : None.

Citizens Comments : No citizens present.

Board Report : Andy Nesbitt, township treasurer and liaison to the Planning Commission, stated that they are filing an appeal against the drain commissioner due to the lack of draining of Bankson Lake.

Old Business :

A Home Occupation Ordinance -Under Home Occupation Business "Sales of Firearms and related accessories and ammunition in Residential and Agricultural zones are allowed under the home occupation ordinance".

Motion by John Miller, Heather Smith seconds to recommend to the township board to adopt the following ordinance under the home occupation section. All approve, motion passes:

Under the Home Occupation Business,
Firearm sales are allowed, the following additions are required
Must submit to the township:
1 Current copy of their license annually
2 The number of arm's length transactions

3 Notify if FFL is selling ammunition or gun powder and relative location of where it's stored on the property

B ATV Ordinance update - Tabled for future discussion.

New Business : A. No new business.

Zoning Administrator report: Rich McGrew, said that there was a situation on Gravel Lake where a home owner had to move their house back from the lake an additional 27 feet.

ZBOA Report : Jerry Fuentes was briefed by Chairman Doug Noble, Jr. and Steve Cornish on what he would report on at our meetings. No report given at this meeting.

Adjournment : John Miller motions to adjourn, Tim Seppala seconds, meeting adjourned at 8:02 pm.

Next Meeting: September 2, 2020