

Porter Township
Planning Commission
July Regular Meeting Minutes
June 28, 2023

Start Time: 7:00 pm

Members Present: Doug Noble, Jr., John Miller, Bob Angle, Todd Hackenberg, Andrew Nesbitt, Tim Seppala, Heather Smith, Jeff Stull, Tonya Willis

Zoning Administrator: Rich McGrew, not present

Approval of Agenda: Motion by Todd Hackenberg, second by John Miller, to approve agenda as written. Agenda approved as written.

Approval of Minutes: Motion by Bob Angle second by Jeff Stull to approve the June 7, 2023 Regular meeting minutes as written. Regular meeting minutes are approved as written.

Correspondence: None.

Citizens Comments: None present.

Zoning Admin Report Per Rich McGrew, Zoning Administrator, not present.

Board Liaison Report: Per Andrew Nesbitt, Board approved Short Term Rental Ordinance clarification per Planning Commission recommendation, with one change – added a word per Attorney Schuitmaker’s recommendation.

ZBOA report: Per Robert Angle, nothing to report.

Old Business: No old business.

New Business:

A. Discussion initiated by Todd Hackenberg on land splitting and when the Planning Commission becomes involved in the process.

B. Began Master Plan/Future Land Use Review – Planning Commission would like input from Attorney Schuitmaker regarding things that have changed since last Master Plan Update. Do these need to be addressed in Master Plan, or are ordinances sufficient?

1. Add Marijuana – medical and adult use
2. Add Cornish Game Reserve
3. Remove Girl Scout camp
4. Add Large Scale Solar Farm
5. Add LASA/sewer

Also noted is that Future Land Use map may need to be updated, including Cornish Game Reserve zoned Recreational. Was this ever changed, or should it be?

Adjournment: Bob Angle motions, Todd Hackenberg seconds, to adjourn meeting. Meeting adjourned at 8:15 pm

Next meeting: August 2, 2023 at 7 pm.
