

Joyfield Township Planning Commission
Minutes

October 25, 2012

- 1) Meeting was called to order at 7:04pm
- 2) Roll Call – all present
- 3) Approval of agenda – motion to approve M. Evans, second Kreuger, carried
- 4) No public participation for agenda items
- 5) Approval of minutes
 - a) September 27th – motion to approve M. Evans, second Wood, carried
 - b) October 11th – date of meeting corrected, motion to approve M. Evans, second Kreuger, carried
- 6) Unfinished business
 - a) By-Laws – omit language in by-laws regarding training. Corrected to match code of conduct language. Motion to proceed and adopt by-laws (with modifications) made by Kreuger, second M. Evans, carried
 - b) Code of Conduct – motion to approve by M. Evans, second Hayne, carried. Members will sign and turn into Hayne for record as soon as possible.
 - c) Meeting schedule – December meeting will be the 11th rather than the 27th because of the Christmas holiday, motion to approve by Wood, second by Kreuger, carried. All other meetings will take place the last Thursday of each month through March 2013.
 - d) Intent to zone and master plan creation letter – John stated that this has already been done through Beckett & Raeder. He plans to double check this and report back at the November meeting.
 - e) Lakes to Land Regional Initiative with Beckett & Raeder
 - i) Stakeholder – current list of stakeholders was read, audience gave further suggestions. Discussion was had on adding, inviting, specifically asking some individuals to participate. It was mentioned and understood that this list was a growing/evolving list.
 - ii) Identifying Goals -Discussion was heard on goals. Public input was welcomed and included in the discussion. Upon discussion it was thought that further detail or clarification was needed for some of the words/goals used. Example: sustain vs. preserve. Engaging the farming community in master plan process was a theme throughout this part of the discussion. Members of the board as well as public input expressed a concern that some “preserves” may be overreaching.
 - iii) Existing Land Use Assignment – everyone is working through this process and will continue their work. Some questions were asked regarding specific agriculture acreage and differences in label.
 - iv) Newsletter – John from Beckett & Raeder explained that the Newsletter was close to being finished and mailed. Discussion was had on the title, “Bulletin” rather than “Newsletter” so as not to suggest this would be a continual publication. However, some believe that a newsletter more often might be helpful in keeping the entire township informed.
 - f) No New Business
 - g) Public participation for non-agenda items
 - i) Joyfield Residents for Accountable Government Letter – Members along with input from the audience was discussed. Ultimately, this is a township board discussion and no recommendation was made directly pertaining to the letter. However, upon suggestion from John an advisory group could be created to aid and give further suggestions to the PC. This idea was tabled and audience members who wished to participate in the advisory group were asked to sign up.
 - h) Adjournment motion by M. Evans, second by B. Evans at 8:55pm

Respectfully submitted by Marianne Hayne, PC Secretary