Keene Township Planning Commission Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, September 3, 2019 7:00 PM

Members Present: Jeff Braam, Dan Briggs, Mike Gasper, Matt Stahlin Corey Wojcik

Members Absent: Ray Krieger, (excused absence)

Zoning Administrator: Jeanne Vandersloot

Public Present: none

Call to order and Pledge of Allegiance

Chairperson Braam called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Approval of the Last Meeting Minutes

Corey moved to approve the minutes from the last meeting with the typo corrected, Mike seconded the motion. The motion was carried by a vote of 5-0.

Approval or Change of Agenda

Corey made the motion to approve the agenda with the addition to add the topic of members with expiring terms to New Business. Dan supported, passed 5-0.

Open discussion for issues not on the agenda

• Correspondence Received: None

• Planning Commission Members: None

• Members of the Audience: None

Report from Township Board Representative

There are some cemetery layout issues. Road work continues.

Report from Zoning Administrator

2 zoning permits, several junk ordinance issues and updates.

Old Business

The public hearing was opened. There were no persons and no comments so the hearing was closed. Dan moved to recommend adoption of the Wind Energy Ordinance to the Township Board. Mike supported, passed 5-0.

New Business

Reviewed Draft Medical Marihuana Zoning Ordinance Amendments. It was decided it made sense to allow growing facilities in AG and AR districts. Dan moved to accept the ordinance as presented, Mike supported, passed 5-0.

A public hearing on the Medical Marihuana Ordinance was set for Tuesday 10/1 at 7PM.

Jeff and Mike have terms expiring at the end of the year. Both have interest in being reappointed.

Adjournment: Matt made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:40 pm. Corey seconded the motion. The motion was carried by a vote of 5-0.

Next special meeting will be held on October 1, 2019 at the Township Hall at 7:00 pm.