

SANDS TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION

MINUTES

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March 6, 2012

1. Call to order at 1905 hours by Planning Commission Chair S. Foulks
2. Roll call: S. Foulks, B. Mann, J. Noe, E. Anderson, S. Brauer, J. Wixtrom
 - a. Excused – R. Titter
 - b. Others in attendance: Randy Yelle, Ross Olsen
3. Approval of the agenda: Motion to approve by J. Noe, Supported by J. Wixtrom.
6-0 approved.
4. Approval of the February 15, 2012 minutes with the following changes under item 2
Roll Call it should be noted that Bob Myers was in attendance. Under item 2 b. Sheley Brauer should be spelled “Shelley Brauer”. Under section 8 b. S. Folks should be spelled “S. Foulks”. With these changes being made, Motion to approve by B. Mann, Supported by E. Anderson. 6-0 approved.
5. Public Comment – NONE
6. Open Public Hearing:
 - a. Sign/Fence Ordinance – B. Mann noted that on page 96 of said ordinance under Section 903 it should read “20 square feet and a height not exceeding eight feet above grade is permitted”. B. Mann noted that page 101 Section 913 d., should be “of greater area or which is placed at a greater or same height”

There being no other input, S. Foulks closed the public hearing.

Motion by Commissioner B. Mann: The Sands Township Planning Commission, after conducting the required public hearing, receiving input from Township staff and the public in attendance, and reviewing the provided documentation, hereby recommends

that the Sands Township Board adopt the revised sign/fence requirements of the Zoning Ordinance as presented.

Supported by Commissioner J. Noe.

Aye 6, Nay 0. Motion Carried.

- b. Access Management Plan – J. Noe questioned “shared driveway” page 114 section 8 a. Discussion was held.

There being no other input, S. Foulks closed the public hearing.

Motion by Commissioner B. Mann: The Sands Township Planning Commission, after conducting the required public hearing, receiving input from Township staff and the public in attendance, reviewing the Township’s Master Plan, and receiving guidance and input from personnel working in the access management field, hereby recommends that the Sands Township Board adopt the Access Management Plan as presented.

Supported by Commissioner E. Anderson

Aye, 6, Nay 0. Motion Carried.

7. Unfinished business:

- a. Dog Ordinance – B. Mann added under Section 2, Working dog: this section should have the “etc.” removed from the end of the sentence and have added “and skijouring”. J. Noe noted that under Section 4: Leash Requirements that “of a length not to exceed six feet” should be removed. B. Mann noted that Section 7 was added and the remainder of the sections were renumbered in accordance.

Motion was made by J. Noe with the above revisions to send the Dog Ordinance back to the Sands Township Board. B. Mann supported.

Aye, 6, Nay, 0. Motion Carried.

- b. Noise Ordinance – J. Noe questioned language in Section 6 Exceptions (F). The language of this section was discussed amongst board.

Motion was made by J. Wixtrom to send back to Sands Township Board with changes made to remove the word “steam” from Section 5 Specific Noises Prohibited; Standards (E) and adding language to Section 6 Exceptions (F) “or per adjustment to court order”. B. Mann supported.

Aye, 6, Nay, 0. Motion Carried.

8. New Business:

- a. R. Yelle gave administrative report.
- b. Commission members reviewed previous Amendments that had been tabled. Amendment 01-11-18 Self-Determination shall be deleted.
- c. Commission members reviewed 01-11-33 Sexually Oriented Business and this should be in Industrial areas with Special Use Permit
- d. Commission members reviewed 01-11-20 Confined Animal Feeding Operation Definition. After much discussion it was determined that S. Brauer will research this and report back at next meeting.

9. Public Comment – NONE

10. Motion by B. Mann that the meeting scheduled for April 18, 2012 at 7:00 p.m. be moved to April 17, 2012 at 6:30 p.m. if Sands Township Board approves Carolyn being recording secretary. J. Noe supported.

Aye, 6, Nay, 0. Motion Carried.

11. Adjournment at 2025 hours by S. Foulks

S. Brauer

Secretary

Planning Commission

S. Foulks

Chair

Planning Commission