

Mt. Pleasant Township Meeting of the Planning Commission

1/08/14

The regular meeting of the Mt. Pleasant Township Planning Commission was called to order by Brian Temple at 7:00 PM on January 8, 2014 in the municipal building located at 31 McCarrell Road in the village of Hickory.

Those present at the meeting were members Brian Temple, Cathy Obenour, Larry Chome, John Bedillion, and David Descutner.

John Bedillion moved to accept the minutes from December 2013. Larry Chome seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Old Business:

None.

New Business:

John Bedillion motioned that all Planning Commission officers are retained for 2014. Cathy Obenour seconded the motion. Motion passed.

A review by John Trant concerning the current Zoning Ordinance Chapter 200 to provide for severability and repeal of prior inconsistencies was provided for the planning commission. This amendment redefines impoundments and aboveground liquid storage and makes them an authorized use in the M1 district. These changes that John recommended are all associated with the M1 district. During this discussion the following changes were made to John's recommendation:

1. We had him change K.(1) to state that the site must have frontage to a public road. This is because we didn't want to get into the arterial or collector street definition with respect to Sabo Road and Washington Avenue where they adjoin the M1 district.
2. We had them change the buffer from 500' to 250' in K(3) because much of the M1 district would be useless because of the residential houses in and around it as it currently stands. Reducing it to 250' makes it a little easier to use and they still have to provide screening per our ordinance.
3. We added to K(5) that the supervisors have the discretion to force a company to put up an 8' fence around their activity. This is because we don't believe it is necessary unless there is a safety concern.
4. We had John remove K(7) because we didn't feel that we should limit a manufacturing operation's work hours. This only applies to the M1 area and we would hope that it is a thriving business that works 24 hours per day.

I have attached the amendment with my notes to this document showing "the suggested changes to Ordinance amending Chapter 200".

David Descutner motioned to recommend the adoption of the revised zoning ordinance amending Chapter 200 contingent with the above discussed changes. John Bedillion seconded the motion. Motion passed.

David Descutner moved to adjourn the meeting. Larry Chome seconded the motion. Motion passed. Meeting adjourned at 8:05 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

David A. Descutner