

Tuscola Township Planning Commission
approved minutes May 11, 2016

The meeting was called to order at 7P.M. by chairperson, Thelma Bushong. With a welcome to Charlene Karr, all commissioners were present.

Paul Meisel was present to tell the board they now own the property on Frankenmuth Rd. They have received a building permit however, the 425 is not yet approved. He wanted permission to start the driveway. He also stated the PA116 has been released and the non-profit status granted. The board informed him the building site plan was approved on the conditions of the 425 and at this point that is not approved. The board also informed him that we need copies of the release of the PA116 as well as the letter showing the non-profit status for our records. At this time we have not granted permission to start the driveway or building. Thelma Bushong made a motion to table the request and any further actions until we have written proof of the release of PA116 meeting the requirements of section 10.03 paragraph K of the zoning ordinances. Supported by Carol Smith. Vote was unanimous in favor.

Discussion continued on the arrangements of temporary businesses in parking lots in the township. Thelma Bushong contacted the parties concerned about opening a temporary fireworks sales in the Fairway parking lot and advised them at this time such businesses are not allowed by the ordinances. They requested we look at creating a variance for seasonal business with a 30 or 90 day limit. This will be taken into consideration. Sarah Barber will discuss with the Board how restrictive they wish us to be with temporary business requests.

A motion was made by Carol Smith and supported by Sarah Barber to change the wording in 13.02 to the ZBA will hold regular meetings in April and September of each year. If the ZBA receives a written request for a zoning variance, an appeal of an administrative decision or interpretation of the zoning ordinance, the ZBA will conduct a public hearing (3.01). The applicant may choose to request a special meeting and pay the current ZBA special meeting fees or wait until the next regularly scheduled meeting. The vote was unanimous in favor.

Discussion was had on the mixed development setbacks and all commissioners felt they were appropriate at this time. The Planning commission stands behind the setback ordinance for the mixed development area and will make no proposed changes at this time.

Meeting adjourned at 9:40P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Carol A. Smith
Carol A. Smith, secretary