

Providence Township Zoning Commission
February 13, 2019
Providence Township Hall

MINUTES

- I. Meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by Chair Jim Stang.
- II. In attendance were Board Members Jim Stang, Mary Stang, Abby Bucchop, Brian McCabe, and Kathy Schoonmaker. Also in attendance was Secretary Patty Rupert and Township Trustee Chair Steve Kendall.
- III. Adjustment to Agenda - None
- IV. Adoption of Agenda – Brian McCabe made the motion to adopt the agenda. Mary Stang seconded. All in attendance agreed. **MOTION CARRIED**
- V. Review Minutes of January 9, 2019 – Abby Bucchop made the motion to accept the minutes as submitted. Mary Stang seconded. All in attendance agreed. **MOTION CARRIED**
- VI. Visitor’s Comments – Mr. & Mrs. Tom Debbe of Box Rd. were in attendance. No comments, just observing. (He has continuing problems with a neighbors property in the zoned area.) Brian Geoffrion on Heller Rd. was in attendance. Needs to get a hold of someone for a permit. Was referred to Eric. Stated that our website has incorrect meeting times and locations. Patty will check and follow-up if necessary.
- VII. Zoning Inspector's Report
 - A. Permits to Date – 1 permit issued. 8 x 12 solar panel field.
 - B. Updates – Should be considering language for solar panels in zoning resolution. Also, like wind turbines, if they get too large, they go from township to state regulations. Have a feeling will we be seeing more and more solar permits. It would be good for someone to contact Bill Harbert for some updated language. Brian McCabe took on the assignment of contacting Bill Harbert.
- VIII. Trustees – The board explained to Trustee Chair Steve Kendall our desire to be proactive in our commission. He talked at length about issues currently going on in the township. Some key points being, follow-up needed on Box Rd. nuisance property, Old Trading Post on Jeffers and Old 24, more enforcement needed in zoned areas, and trying to keep the website up to date. He stated the best thing we can do is our continued work on updating the zoning book. New language where appropriate, and correcting existing language. He also suggested to look at other township websites. Also

mentioned there are still issues at the county level with unzoned area permits and building inspections. No permit needed in the zoned area, yet county wants us to do the follow up for them. Not happening if township has no jurisdiction in the unzoned area.

IX. Zoning Commission Members

A. Zoning Resolution – With the absence of the Zoning Inspector and length of discussion so far, Brian McCabe made the motion to table this topic to our next meeting. Mary Stang seconded. All in attendance agreed. **MOTION CARRIED**

X. New Business – No new business.

XI. Adjournment - Abby Bucchop made the motion to adjourn. Mary Stang seconded. All in attendance agreed. **MOTION CARRIED**

Next meeting is March 13, 2019 at 7 p.m.