

Brady Township
Planning Commission
November 7th, 2024

Meeting called to order by chairman Jeff Roy at 7:00pm.

Pledge of allegiance by all present.

Roll call: Don Somers, Glen Reeves, Jeff Roy, Bernadette Schneider, Michelle Loos and Rob Kehoe.

Public present: Damion Bingham.

Minutes from October 3rd, 2024 and October 28th, 2024 meetings read by Planning Commission members present.

Motion to accept October 3rd, 2024 minutes by Glen Reeves, seconded by Michelle Loos. All in favor. Motion passed.

Minutes from October 28th, 2024 meeting read by all Planning Commission members present.

Motion to accept October 28th, 2024 minutes with corrections on page 2 as discussed by Bernadette Schneider, seconded by Michelle Loos. All in favor. Motion passed.

Agenda for November 7th, 2024 meeting read by all Planning Commission members present.

Motion to approve agenda by Glen Reeves, seconded by Don Somers. All in favor. Motion passed.

Public present: Taylor Phillips, Geno Phillips, Darrell Soukup, Julie Denton, Kirk Yaros, Brad Haney.

Call to Audience-public present for questions to Planning Commission. Darrell Soukup asked members who voted nay at October 28th, 2024 meeting on changes to solar ordinance why they voted nay. Michelle Loos spoke up stating

there were too many changes to the townships original ordinance such as height, setbacks, fencing and noise level. The changed ordinance also stated the power company can go to the township for approval or to the state. The money contribution of the power company, wording in this was "may give". Too many may and could in the ordinance, this is why I voted nay.

Old business: none

New business: 3 issues brought to the township board to be addressed- Fence ordinance, weed ordinance and noise ordinance needed within the township. Fence ordinance by 4 other townships brought to the board by IRob Kehoe with discussion of each. Board to review and develop a fence ordinance at next meeting. Kirk Yaros was hired by Township Board yesterday for Zoning Administrator. Kirk discussed what is being done in Maple Grove township on fencing and weed ordinance. Kirk will forward to board members ordinance to be reviewed prior to next Planning Commission meeting. Proposed next meeting dates for 2025- 2/6/25, 5/8/25, 8/7/25, and 11/6/25 all at 7:00pm.

Motion to accept planning Commission meeting dates for 2025 be Glen Reeves, seconded by Don Somers. All in favor. Motion passed.

Motion to adjourn by Don Somers, seconded by Glen Reeves. All in favor. Motion passed.

Next meeting dates for 2025-
2/6/25, 5/8/25, 8/7/25 and 11/6/25 all at 7:00pm.

Respectfully submitted by Michelle Loos

Planning Committee Secretary

My name is Geno Phillips, I reside next to the Ridge Road Cemetery. I've only lived in the area for about 3.5 years, but I've tried to make it a point to come to every meeting here. As a Christian, I believe that we are all called to live our lives, that is-every square inch of our lives- in a way that honors God as His image bearers. We have all sinned and fallen short of the glory of God and are only redeemed by the sacrificial death, burial, and resurrection of God's Son, Jesus Christ, but that doesn't mean that nothing we do outside of the gospel matters. Some wrongly teach that unless we are sharing the gospel, engaged in pastoral ministry, or a missionary in a foreign country, that our work is not spiritual, or is simply a means to give to the truly spiritual work of doing those things. The Apostle Paul taught that whether we eat or drink, or whatever we do, we are to do it to the glory of God, and that whatever we do, we are to work heartily, as for the Lord rather than for men, knowing that from the Lord we will receive our reward. This means that even simply drinking a glass of water is a spiritual act. How much more then, is it a spiritual service in sharing in the responsibility and authority as a civil magistrate?

Glen Reeves, I believe that this is your last time serving here, so I would like to publicly commend you for your service to Brady Township and offer this gift as a token of our appreciation. I believe that Glen Reeves is a man who has been faithful in the discharge of his duties as a township trustee and planning commission board member in the short time that I have been attending these meetings. On the last day, I believe that when it comes to the discharge of your duties here at least, you would hear, "well done, good and faithful servant." May you continue to live as an example for others to follow in service to Christ. And as God spoke to Joshua through His servant Moses, "May the Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face to shine upon you, and be gracious to you. May the Lord lift up His face on you, and give you peace." Amen.