

ADRIAN CHARTER TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING HELD AT THE TOWNSHIP HALL

MINUTES-August 25th, 2020

ORDER OF BUSINESS:

Call to Order by Doug McGee 7:05

Pledge to the flag

Roll Call:

Absent: Phile McVay, Craig Pelham

Approval of Minutes: July 28th, 2020:

Motion: Denis Jodis, Support: Ben Ruesink

The minutes from July 28, 2020 unanimously approved.

Approval of Agenda:

Motion: Frank Hribar, Support: Ben Ruesink

The agenda for the August 25, 2020 meeting were unanimously approved

#1

Continuation of Gun Range on private property discussion:

Doug spoke with owners of Johnson's Sporting Goods on legal rights and dug into DNR and NRA information and recommendations. During the discussion it was the committees understanding at this time that property owners had the right to set up a range on their property as long as a proper back stop was in place and reasonable safety precautions are observed and noise ordinance is violated.

Doug was going to provide guidelines for a proper backstop at the next meeting according to NRA and/or DNR regulations.

#2

Continuation of Fireworks discussion:

Short discussion to conclude previous discussion to update the noise ordinance to 10pm (current ordinance is set at 11pm). Beyond the noise ordinance, there will be no additional recommended language or ordinance to limit fireworks usage in the township.

Denis will check with Jim Koehn on process to update the noise ordinance and the township attorney will be contacted to draft the legal statement

#3

Continuation of Fire Department Cost Recovery Discussion:

Denis met with Tim Bartenslager to discuss. Tim was going to follow up with insurance company procedure . Frank Hribar will have draft at next meeting. Ben Ruesink asked a clarifying question that this is for recovering cost when Township FD is used by non township people.

#4

Continuation of ORV use on Township roads discussion:

Ben Ruesink mentioned that DNR in Onsted is more aggressively ticketing ORV use on public roads. It was pointed out that many farmers use ORVs to patrol and access fields and will often need to use roads for short periods to move from field to field.

It was discussed that we could create an ordinance that mapped out the township road by road to allow heavier agricultural areas the use of ORVs on roads.

Ben Ruesink will draft ordinance and recommended road map for ORV use at 25 mph on edge of road.

Public Comment: None

Adjournment: 7:45

Respectfully Submitted,
Mike Buku, Vice Chair