

Pleasanton Township Planning Committee Meeting Minutes

DATE: 11/11/2019 6:00 p.m.

LOCATION: Pleasanton Township Hall

Next Meeting: December 9, 2019 @ 6:00 p.m.

Representatives:

A	Bob Peterson – Vice Chair	A	Tony Merrill - Chair
X	Marv Peska	X	Ed Monk
		X	Brenda Monk – Township Board Rep / Secretary
A	Carol Merrill – Township Supervisor		
	Guests:	X	Josh Mills, Zoning Administrator

X = Present A = Absent

Public Present: Deb Negri-Jackson, Cherry and Warren Fairfield, Judy Girven

Topics Discussed	Discussion/Decision	Action/Responsible Party
<i>Meeting called to order Pledge of Allegiance</i>		
<i>Roll call</i>	Present: Peska, E. Monk, B. Monk Absent: Merrill, Peterson	
<i>Agenda Approval</i>	Monk presented agenda for approval/changes.	<i>Motion by Peska, second by B Monk to approve the agenda. All in favor, motion carried</i>
<i>Public Comment</i>		
<i>Prior meeting minutes</i>	October 14, 2019 Meeting Minutes presented for approval.	<i>Motion by Peska, second by E Monk, to approve minutes. All in favor, motion carried.</i>
<i>Zoning Administrator Report</i>	Mills reported three permits issued, see report dated November 3, 2019. LS-1 area lots of activity. Russel Timbers and contact with Architects in Beulah for home plans some of the activity.	
<i>Ordinance Change Discussion (questions compiled)</i>	Zoning Ordinance changes are serious and need to be treated as such. Discussed questions with Mills, Zoning Administrator 11/11/2019	
	What are the implications of changing our ordinance to accommodate such events or venues in the district(s) in question	<i>Special Use changes. Discussed Special Use in Commercial RA-1 area. Requires change and the entire process of public hearings and board approval.</i>
	Does this even deserve us re-evaluating our zoning ordinance that we worked on for several years?	<i>The Zoning is vetted though the Master Plan</i>
	To except this special use, we would have to go thru all of the steps that would allow us to amend our zoning ordinance to be able to approve this.	<i>Yes</i>
	It is understood that St Ambrose Cellars is now allowed to have only 2 (two) events a year because of issues that have come up.	<i>Correct having issues, looking at an 8:00 pm noise ordinance.</i>

	What are the ramifications of violating the township?	<i>Defend with the zoning ordinance. Need to stand behind what we have in place.</i>
	How does a violation of the zoning ordinance of the township get handled?	<i>Violation notification by zoning administrator with correction order, fines, if ignored, court.</i>
	How to do we ensure that there is not a 'moving forward' on their plan when no plans or application has been received by the zoning administrator?	<i>Ordinance will take care of this.</i>
	If there is continued movement in this direction by the resident, what are the steps the township needs to take to stop it?	<i>Mills checking zoning, we have an ordinance, defend it.</i>
	Do we have to allow wedding venues anywhere in the township?	<i>No</i>
<i>Unfinished Business/Discussions</i>	Master Plan review: Mills confirmed that yes, the plan needs to be reviewed. It does not require an update, but it is recommended. The committee's plan to update with current information is a good plan.	<i>Continue work on update. The Master Plan is the guide for Zoning, they work together.</i>
<i>Future work area</i>	Accessory Building Ordinance: Will continue the agenda for discussion.	
<i>Correspondence</i>	None	
<i>Public Comment</i>	Newer home on Swanson appears to have done the minimum to meet requirements. People live on/purchase property on Glovers Lake for the quiet, peaceful area.	
<i>Board Comment</i>	None	
<i>Adjournment</i>	Meeting Adjourned at 6:55 p.m.	<i>Motion by Peska, second by E Monk to adjourn meeting, AIF, motion carried.</i>