

Royalton Township Planning Commission Meeting Minutes
6052 Royalton Road, Braham, MN 55006
Email: royalton@royaltontownship.com-- Website: www.royaltontownship.com
27 July 2021
Approved

7:00 p.m., 27 July 2021, Chair Leslie Orvis called the Royalton Township regular planning commission meeting to order with Members Jeff Schlaeger, Priscilla Schneider, Gary Valvoda and Clerk Duane Swanson present. Supervisor Wayne Olson, Supervisor Marshall Pearson, Zoning Administrator John Kemen, Road Superintendent Dan Saumer, Septic Administrator Amy Thompson, and members of the public also attended.

Clerk Swanson moved, Member Schlaeger seconded, to approve the agenda as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

Member Valvoda moved, Member Schneider seconded, to approve the minutes of the 29 June 2021 commission meeting as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

Member Valvoda moved, Member Schlaeger seconded, to approve the minutes of the 13 July 2021 working commission meeting as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

Old Business:

Discussion of an amendment to the zoning ordinance increasing road frontage was postponed.

Justin and Marta Asher were present to answer questions about their manufactured home request. Discussion centered around a start date for the agreement to draft a contract permitting an older home for a period of five years or less. They indicated that a possible start date would be May 2022. Member Schlaeger moved, Member Valvoda seconded, to recommend to the board that such an agreement be drafted. The motion carried unanimously.

No one was present to discuss Roger Teich's land splits. Clerk Swanson moved, Member Valvoda seconded, to recommend to the board that approval of the land splits be tied to resolution of the septic issues on both properties and approved by Septic Administrator Thompson and that letters be sent to Brandon and Roger Teich noting these conditions. Land split conditions remain as had been previously discussed: 1) Brandon Teich's buildings to be split from his agricultural acreage; 2) Roger Teich's buildings to be split from his agricultural acreage; and 3) the two agricultural parcels be combined into one PID. The motion carried unanimously.

No further information had been received from Mark and Andrea Karpe on their alternative livestock proposal. Clerk Swanson noted that an email had been sent informing them of this meeting and that the working meeting discussed this issue and noted that the four species requested remained on the non-ownership list per the ordinance. Chair Orvis moved, Member Schlaeger seconded, to recommend to the board to deny this request because private ownership of bobcat, lynx, raccoon, and skunk are forbidden according to Royalton's zoning ordinance. The motion carried unanimously.

New Business:

Chair Orvis summarized his recommendations regarding the concerns made about Frost Drive at the last meeting: The Wurm pit is still active with individuals hauling materials out; the Lerbs interim use permit allows, but does not require, reclamation until the end of the permit. Member Valvoda, among others, had viewed the boat and trailer parked along Frost Drive. It is six feet outside the utility pole line and eight feet

LO____ JS____ PS____ DS____ GV____

from the north driven edge of the drive; the driven surface is nineteen feet wide. By consensus, the commission recommended to the board that no action is required and that a formal written complaint must be received for further discussion.

After discussion, Member Valvoda moved, Member Schlaeger seconded, to recommend that the board authorize payment to Septic Administrator Thompson for her attendance at planning commission, working planning commission, and board meetings where her attendance is required. Chair Orvis noted that her input at the recent Heidelberger and Teich discussions was invaluable. The motion carried unanimously.

Chair Orvis thanked everyone who had participated in the recent Heidelberger discussion for their comments and input.

Chair Orvis called a working planning commission meeting for 6:30 p.m., Tuesday, 10 August 2021.

FYI:

The next regular planning commission meeting is 7:00 p.m., Tuesday, 31 August 2021.

At 7:25 p.m., Clerk Swanson moved, Member Schlaeger seconded, to adjourn. The motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Duane P. Swanson, Clerk/Member

Leslie Orvis, Chair/Member

Jeff Schlaeger, Member

Priscilla Schneider, Member

Gary Valvoda, Member