

Royalton Township Planning Commission Meeting Minutes
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30 April 2024
Approved

7:00 p.m., 30 April 2024, Chair Leslie Orvis called the Royalton Township regular planning commission meeting to order with Members John Graham, Priscilla Schneider, Gary Valvoda, and Clerk Duane Swanson present. Zoning Administrator John Kemen, Septic Administrator Amy Thompson, Road Superintendent Dan Saumer, Supervisors Pete Belland and Jeff Schlaeger, and members of the public also attended.

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

Member Valvoda moved, Member Schneider seconded, to approve the minutes of the 26 March 2024 regular commission meeting as distributed. The motion carried unanimously.

Member Graham moved, Member Valvoda seconded, to approve the minutes of the working commission meeting of 9 April 2024 as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

Old Business:

Chair Orvis called for discussion about the draft working commission minutes of 20 February 2024. He renewed his objection to the minutes not containing the names of the supervisors who had installed the camera in the file room. Chair Orvis moved, Member Schneider seconded, to include the names in the minutes. The motion carried 3-2, with Member Valvoda and Clerk Swanson voting "Nay." Discussion continued on the minutes of the 20 February meeting. Audience members participated in the discussion which grew heated, with some individuals being recognized and others not being recognized. Clerk Swanson moved to adjourn the meeting. The motion was defeated 3-2, with Chair Orvis, Member Graham, and Member Schneider voting "Nay." The meeting continued. Chair Orvis will rewrite that portion of the minutes.

Chair Orvis noted that the working commission meeting had recommended approval of the draft ordinance on administrative citations. Member Schneider moved, member Graham seconded, to recommend approval to the board with the stipulation that legal counsel review the wording. The motion carried 4-1, with Member Valvoda voting "Nay." Member Valvoda noted his concern was not with the main purpose of the ordinance but with the issue of compounding of the administrative fines.

Chair Orvis noted the next working meeting would consider campground, short-term rentals, and site permit ordinances and procedures.

New Business:

Chair Orvis set the next working planning commission meeting for Tuesday, 14 May 2024, at 6:30 p.m.

FYI:

The next regular planning commission meeting will be at 7:00 p.m., Tuesday, 28 May 2024.

At 7:21 p.m., Clerk Swanson moved, Member Graham seconded, to adjourn. The motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Duane P. Swanson, Clerk/Member

Leslie Orvis, Chair/Member

John Graham, Member

Priscilla Schneider, Member

Gary Valvoda, Member