

Rome Township Planning Commission - Meeting Minutes

September 27th, 2018

I. Call to order:

Mike Griffith, Chairman called the Regular Meeting of the Planning Commission to order at 7:00 pm at the Rome Township Hall – 9344 Forrister Road - Adrian, MI 49221. The Pledge of Allegiance followed.

II. Roll call:

Present: Leo Oswald, Mike Griffith, Jeff Elwell, Pat Bournes, Harvey Warrick, and Kevin Fisher

Absent: Jack Griffes

III. Approval of minutes from last meeting:

Motion to approve August 23rd minutes by Kevin, 2nd by Jeff, motion carried

IV. Additions/Changes to Agenda:

Motion to by Harvey, 2nd by Pat to approve the Agenda with no additions.

V. Reports:

Township Board – The Board voted to no longer accept perpetual tax exemptions from churches, meaning they must reapply each year for the exemption. The Board also approved to pay \$4,000 toward the salary of a part time Resource Officer for Onsted Pubic Schools.

Zoning Officer – Not present

Zoning Board of Appeals – Variance approved for a 12'x24' sign at 10,000 W US 223 Condo Storage regarding the Sign Ordinance in Section 11.45 of the Rome Township Zoning Ordinance.

VI. Order of Business:

Leo made a motion, 2nd by Harvey to close the Regular Meeting. Motion Carried. Jeff made a motion, 2nd by Leo to open the Public Hearing. Motion carried, Public Hearing is Opened at 7:25pm. The PC discussed updating the wording in the Sign Ordinance in Section 11.45 of the Rome Twp Zoning Ordinance. Kevin made a motion to close the Public Hearing, 2nd by Leo. The Motion carried, and the Public Hearing was closed at 7:40 pm. A new motion by Kevin to open the Regular Meeting, 2nd by Leo, the Regular Meeting was opened.

A Motion was made by Kevin, 2nd by Jeff to revise the wording in the Rome Township Zoning Ordinance in Section 11.45 Signs, Part A. Signs, General under number one as follows. The Motion was carried with a Roll Call Vote:

Kevin Fisher	Jeff Elwell	Harvey Warrick	Pat Bournes	Leo Oswald	Mike Griffith
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

A. Signs, General (Former description)

1. A building permit shall be required for the erection, construction or alteration of any sign, except as hereinafter provided, all such signs shall be approved by the Building Inspector as to their conforming to the requirements of the zoning district wherein aid sign or signs are to be located and the requirements of this section.

A. Signs, General (**Revised description**)

1. *A building permit shall be required for the erection, construction or alteration of any sign, except as hereinafter provided. All such signs shall be approved by the Zoning Administrator as to their conforming to the requirements of the zoning district wherein aid sign or signs are to be located and the requirements of this section.*

- ✓ **Solar Energy: This topic was tabled at this time.**
- ✓ **Medical Marijuana details has been tabled until after the November 6th election.**
- ✓ **Harvey Warrick announced that effective immediately he is resigning from the Planning Commission. He will begin to spend his winter months in Florida and unable to be active on the Board.**

VII. Public Comment: No public present

VIII. Adjournment:

Motion to adjourn @ 8:25 pm by Harvey, 2nd by Leo - meeting adjourned

Next Regular Meeting to be held October 25th, 2018 @ 7:00 pm

Minutes submitted by: *Robin Robertson, Secretary*

Minutes approved by: Mike Griffith, Chairman _____