

HIGGINS TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION

AUGUST 17, 2022 SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER: THE SPECIAL MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER BY CHAIRMAN JIM SMITH AT 1:30PM ON WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 17, 2022, FOLLOWED BY THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.

ROLL CALL: JIM SMITH, CHAIRMAN, LAURIE GRANLUND, MARY ALICE MCKINDLES, JULIE PETERS, TOM JENNETTE, EX OFFICIO.

PERSONS IN ATTENDANCE:

SUE AND ROBERT TOMPKINS, DONNA AND EDWARD THOMA.

NEW BUSINESS: DISCUSSION ON ZONING VARIANCE REQUEST BY PETER AND HEATHER MOEN TO ERECT A 30 x 40 STORAGE STRUCTURE OUTSIDE THE REQUIRED TOWNSHIP ZONING GUIDELINES AND THE DNR WATERWAY GUIDELINES. THE DNR HAS ALLOWED THE REQUEST TO ALLOW THE STRUCTURE WITHIN THEIR GUIDELINES AND TO REMOVE AN OLD SHED. DISCUSSION WAS HELD AND COMMENTS FROM NEIGHBORS, MR AND MRS TOMPKIN AND MR AND MRS THOMA STATING THEY WERE NOT OPPOSED TO THE LOCATION OF THE STRUCTURE.

HIGGINS TOWNSHIP ALSO APPROVED A 20 FOOT VARIANCE SET BACK FROM THE ROADWAY. MR AND MRS MOEN WERE NOTIFIED OF THE MEETING DATE BUT A CONFLICT PREVENTED THEM FROM ATTENDING.

MOTION TO ALLOW THE VARIANCE REQUEST WAS MADE BY J. PETERS, 2ND BY T. JENNETTE. ALL APPROVED.

OLD BUSINESS: HIGGINS TOWNSHIP MASTER PLAN WILL BE DISCUSSED FURTHER IN SEPTEMBER, 2022.

ADJOURN: MOTION BY L. GRANLUND, 2ND BY J. PETERS TO ADJOURN MEETING AT 1:47PM. ALL APPROVED.