

HIGGINS TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION

APRIL 12, 2023 QUARTERLY MEETING MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER: THE QUARTERLY MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER BY CHAIRMAN JIM SMITH AT 1:30PM ON WEDNESDAY, APRIL 12, 2023, FOLLOWED BY THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.

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

PERSONS IN ATTENDANCE: CHRIS MOORE, ELISE MATZ, REPRESENTING CIRCLE POWER RENEWABLES. JUST VISITING.

OLD BUSINESS: MOTION BY L. GRANLUND TO APPROVE MINUTES OF JANUARY 4, 2023 MEETING WITH THE FOLLOWING CORRECTION. DATE OF APRIL MEETING SHOULD READ APRIL 12, 2023, 2<sup>ND</sup> BY M. A. MCKINDLES, MOTION PASSED.

DRAFT PROVIDED OF THE NEW MASTER PLAN FOR PUBLISHING AND PUBLIC COMMENT. WILL DISCUSS AT NEXT MEETING ON APRIL 19, 2023 FOR FINALIZATION OF HIGGINS TOWNSHIP MASTER PLAN.

NEW BUSINESS: DISCUSSED REQUEST FOR SPECIAL USE PERMIT BY RANDALL SCOTT AND XIAOLAN XU TO ALLOW RV PARK ON PARCEL #72-005-105-005-0160.  
MOTION BY M. A. MCKINDLES TO RETURN THE REQUEST TO JIM LETTS, ZONING ADMINISTRATOR, TO INFORM THE PARTIES THAT THE 20 ACRE REQUIREMENT PREVENTS A PERMIT FROM BEING ISSUED, 2<sup>ND</sup> BY L. GRANLUND, MOTION PASSED.

NOTICE OF INTENT TO PLAN FROM DENTON AND ROSCOMMON TOWNSHIPS REGARDING INTENT TO WORK ON A JOINT MASTER PLAN. THEY REQUEST OUR COOPERATION AND CONTACT THEM WITH OPINIONS, POSITION, OR QUESTIONS.

MTA IS REQUESTING OUR ATTENDANCE AT ONE OF SEVERAL CLASSES REGARDING INTRICACIES OF ZONING. WE WOULD LIKE TO KNOW IF HIGGINS TOWNSHIP WILL PROVIDE PAYMENT FOR EXPENSES INVOLVED.

NEXT MEETING WILL BE APRIL 19, 2023 FOR PUBLIC COMMENT ON THE NEW MASTER PLAN FINAL DRAFT.

ADJOURN: MOTION TO ADJOURN BY M. A. MCKINDLES, 2<sup>ND</sup> BY L. GRANLUND, MOTION PASSED