

## SCAMBLER TOWNSHIP PLANNING & ZONING COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 20<sup>TH</sup>, 2017, 8:00PM

Present: Phillip Rotz, Stuart Restad, Todd Langseth, Dave Ritchie, Conrad Olson, and Lou Ann Zurn

The meeting was called to order with the Pledge of Allegiance, with introductions following.

Approval of the Agenda – Stuart Restad motioned to to approve the Agenda as presented, and was 2<sup>nd</sup> by Todd Langseth. All in favor, approved.

Clerk's Minutes – Scambler Township Planning & Zoning Minutes for July 11<sup>th</sup>, 2016. Stuart Restad motioned to expense with the reading and approve the minutes as presented, and was 2<sup>nd</sup> by Conrad Olson. All in favor, approved.

There was no Old Business to discuss at this time.

New Business:

1. Nomination of Officers- Todd Langseth nominated Stuart Restad as Chair, and was seconded by Conrad Olson. All in favor, approved. Todd Langseth nominated Phillip Rotz as Vice Chair, and was 2<sup>nd</sup> by Stuart Restad. All in favor, approved. Phillip Rotz nominated Conrad Olson as Treasurer, and was 2<sup>nd</sup> by Stuart Restad. All in favor, approved.

2. Discuss Patrick Peck/Juhl Energy Conditional Use Permit Application – copies of the site permit application were given to all Commission members to review. Copies of the Project Summary were given to Commission. Dan Juhl was present to answer questions. He was asked by Stuart about information from the FAA. Dan reported they have applied to FAA for their determination of the proposed project, but have not heard back yet. The FAA is waiting for feedback from the local airport located in Scambler Township. Discussion followed. Stuart Restad requested Phillip Rotz to contact Kathy Vesely, Aviation Planning Director, MNDOT Aeronautics for any restrictions she knows of for a project like this. Also, the City of Pelican Rapids, owner of the airport in Scambler Township, needs to be contacted regarding their Municiple Airport Zoning Ordinance for any restrictions that apply to their Safety Zone.

Stuart questioned the need for a Performance Bond, in case the project would be abandoned in the future. A Decommissioning Plan was included in the Project Summary provided.

Stuart thought the Planning & Zoning commission should schedule a Public Hearing fairly quickly to gather public input. Notice of time and place of a Planning & Zoning public hearing must be held not less than 7 days and not more than 14 days from date of publication. Lou Ann will get a list of names from Wayne Stein of landowners in label format within 1 mile to send certified notices of the public hearing. The notice needs to be post marked 10 days before the hearing date. Discussion followed.

Conrad Olson motioned to schedule the public hearing to gather input for the proposed wind/solar project for Tuesday, December 12<sup>th</sup>, at 7:00pm. The motion was 2<sup>nd</sup> by Todd Lanseth. All in favor, approved.

The Planning and Zoning Commission meeting was recessed, to be continued at a later date. The next Planning and Zoning Commission meeting was scheduled for Monday, November 27<sup>th</sup>, at 7:00pm. Stuart asked Commission members to review Scambler Zoning Ordinances to highlight areas that might apply to this type of project for discussion at that meeting.

David Ritchie and Conrad Olson were asked to look at a similar wind turban in Grant County, and report back with a brief finding of fact. Juhl Energy will bring the letter/info they want included in the notices for the public hearing.

Submitted by Lou Ann Zurn, Clerk

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