

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF PORTAGE

Planning Commission Minutes

February 4, 2015

Members Present: Peggy Lee Anderson, Bernie Carr, Melanie Kueber Watkins, Dave Rulison, Dean LaTendresse, Robert Witting, John Ligon, Jim Stingle & Bruce Petersen

Guests: Pat Coleman

Public Present: Gregg Nominelli

Bernie Carr called the meeting to order at 7:02 PM.

Discussion Items:

- Discussion with Gregg Nominelli concerning his concerns in LAR District. New wording was added under permitted uses. Motion Made: One and two family dwellings are to be allowed in permitted uses in LAR. First: by Bernie Carr, Seconded: by Dean Latendresse Passed unanimously.
- General provisions of the lighting section were discussed. "Cutoff" fixtures will be required so there is no extraneous light going skyward and the part about lumens will be removed from the manual.
- The site plan review section 6.3 was discussed. A perspective applicant may be required to cover the costs of hiring professional assistance used to assist the TWP with it's site plan review.
- Administrative section 12.3 under section 6 was discussed – estimated costs and additional fees were added so the TWP can recover some of it's costs.
- Discussed the riparian section of the manual. Removed Zone 1 and Zone 2 requirements noting that the first part of the section covers this in a stricter sense.
- Pat will present at the next Board of Trustees meeting some of the major changes in the manual and where the P.C. sees it's next steps in the adoption of the new Zoning Manual. In the future it was discussed to have the public hearing sometime in April/May. Have a formal workshop type meeting with the P.C. and the Board in March.
- Elected the same slate of Officers: which included Rob Whitting as the Chairperson and Ted Soldan as the Secretary.
- Meeting dates were set for 2015: January 7th, February 4th, March 25th and April 15th

The meeting was adjourned at 8:26 PM by Jim Stingle

Respectfully submitted,
Bruce Petersen