

HENRIETTA TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION
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MINUTES FROM 11/22/2022 REGULAR MEETING
(by Anita Szabo, Recording Secretary)

Members present: R. Draeger; J. Duszynski; N. Hawley; A. Faist; T. Kinch; R. Troman; A. Wellington
Also present: A. Grimes

1. Call to Order

- Meeting officially called to order at 7:40 p.m.

2. Approval of October 2022 Meeting Minutes

- Minutes from 10/25/2022 meeting were reviewed.
- A motion to accept as written was made by T. Kinch, seconded by R. Troman, and passed unanimously by remaining members.

3. Public Comment

- None.

4. Township Official's Report (per A. Grimes)

- There was a good turnout for the recent election.
- Progress continues on the matter of obtaining an easement for a new fire hydrant well at the trailhead of Hawkins Road.
 - o The matter is currently with the Attorney General's Office awaiting approval.
- The annual township audit has been completed (it went well) and results of same will be part of the Annual Budget Review meeting scheduled for 11/30/2022 at 3:00 p.m.
- Repairs to upgrade an older fire truck were approved.
- N. Hawley reported on the Halloween parade in Munith.
- R. Troman inquired on the matter of proposed broadband infrastructure expansion by the independent cable company out of Spring Arbor, and A. Grimes advised that the township did approve the organization to apply for grants on behalf of Henrietta Township.

5. Old Business

- Results of rezoning request from property owner of 322 Main Street in Munith.
 - o Henrietta Planning Commission approved and the matter will now go before the Jackson County Planning Commission for their recommendation (see 11/22/2022 Public Meeting Minutes for more details).

6. New Business

- Rezoning request (Commercial-1 to Commercial-2) from Cressel Smith, owner of Ironworx in Munith (said owner being present at meeting).
 - o A handout titled *Rezoning Request Fact-Finding*, compiled by N. Hawley, was distributed and reviewed.
 - o Plat maps were reviewed.

- Comments from property owner were heard, including the potential necessity for orienting the building on the property in a manner conducive to his business processes.
- Concerns were again brought forth in regard to an alleyway located between the parcels.
 - Conclusion of this matter was that this concern was irrelevant to rezoning of the property, although property owner advised he will need to resolve it in order to proceed with his long-range plans.
- A motion to proceed with the rezoning request and schedule a public hearing on the matter was brought forth by J. Duszynski, seconded by A. Wellington, and passed unanimously by remaining members.
 - Public Hearing to be scheduled for Tuesday, 12/27/2022.

7. Committees/Special Projects/Administrative

- N. Hawley advised that Rives Township sent out a Notice of Intent to revise their Master Plan (specifically as it pertains to renewable energy sources).

8. Public Comment/Open Discussion

- A gentleman from Leoni Township commended the owner of Ironworx for desiring to keep his business within Henrietta Township and then again (see 11/22/2022 Public Hearing Minutes) took the opportunity to voice his concerns about the election process.

9. Adjournment

- A motion to adjourn meeting was made by R. Draeger, seconded by A. Wellington, and passed unanimously by remaining members.
- Meeting adjourned at 8:19 p.m.

Next Meeting: Tuesday, December 27, 2022, immediately following the 7:00 p.m. Public Hearing on that date