

JACKSON TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION
MEETING MINUTES OF AUGUST 20, 2001

September 17, 2001

The Jackson Township Planning Commission monthly of August 20, 2001 was called to order at 6:40 pm. by Chairperson June Stephens. All members were present.

Public Comments:

The public was reminded that this is for public comment, to make a statement and not for question and answer.

Robert Stephens asked if a person wanted to raise cows, how much land would you have to have to build a barn 40x60. If he built a new barn for expansion where does he have to build it.

Eugene Kist asked the planning commission if he could record the meeting. The planning commission referred the question to Township solicitor C.J. Webb. Mr. Webb told Mr. Kist to do whatever he wanted to do. Mr. Kist insisted on questions and answers, and again was reminded this was for public comment, to make a statement, not question and answer.

Robert Stephens commented about page 46 section D, then asked how many homes in the township in R1, R2, and ag areas are under 1200 sq. ft. How many elderly are there, how many are on a fixed income, below poverty level, what is the average wage, and what is the average cost to build a home He wanted to know how zoning would affect these people. Mr. Stephens then questioned page 38 about burning, the and or part, what does and or mean. Mr. Stephens then commented no where under ag district were horses covered.

Eugene Kist wanted to question the planning commission, and was again reminded this was public comment not question and answer. Mr. Kist wanted

to know if all members had the same copy of the ordinance as the supervisors. Mr. Cooper said yes, and June Stephens said no they are not. Lair Rager asked to compare his to Mr. Coopers. It was explained that any difference between copies comes from different formats and font size's used to reprint the copies after corrections have been made.

Robert Stephens commented since all copies are not the same, stop this ordinance until they are the same. Mr. Kist then commented about fly ash, dog kennels, and what are people to do with small lots, is the township going to buy them. Mr. Kist then commented that he would sue every member of the planning commission for going ahead with this zoning ordinance.

Steve Yurasek commented that no one asked him for his opinion. He then wanted to know, are you going to tell me what I can and cant do when I have been doing this for years with permits. Mr. Yurasek commented that he is industrial, and zoning has him residential. It was explained to Mr. Kist that this situation had to do with deed restrictions.

Robert Stephens commented on page 43 section 10, and page 38 section 3.

Bill Barbin commented, this is a good ordinance, as a citizen of Jackson township I hope you approve this ordinance. I don't want big hog farms, new dumps, or power plants. This is what will happen with out zoning. By passing this ordinance it will not stop anyone from doing what they are doing now. I ask you to pass this ordinance by voting yes.

Robert Bennidict asked how many townships have zoning, and how many don't.

Dorothy Dreikorn commented I've live here for 44 years, and zoning has been an issue for 40 years. There are things in this township that would not be if we had zoning. We need zoning.

The planning commission held a brief executive session to discuss legal litigation with the township solicitor C.J.Webb.

MEETING MINUTES:

Bruce Baker planning commission co-chairman read the minutes from the previous meeting. A motion to accept the minutes as read was made by Tom Marhefka and 2nd by Rick Fetzer. All were in favor.

OLD BUSINESS:

There was no old business

NEW BUSINESS:

The subdivision of William and Dorothy Driekorn was reviewed. The subdivision is on stone ridge drive, taking off a parcel 100x175 for their son. A motion to accept this subdivision was made by Tom and 2nd by Laird. All were in favor.

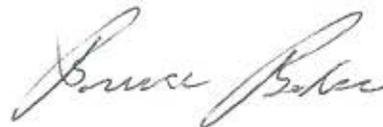
The subdivision of Stanley Wryas was also reviewed. He is taking 1.25 acres off his lot to give to his son Paul. A motion to accept this subdivision was made by Laird and 2nd by Tom. All were in favor.

The subdivision of Daniel and Ruth Zurenda of 203-harmony drive was reviewed. He is dividing 1 lot into 2. 1 lot containing .480 acres and the other containing .368 acres. A motion to accept was made by Rick and 2nd by Laird. All were in favor.

A motion to pass the proposed zoning ordinance to the supervisors was made by Rick Fetzer and 2nd by Laird Rager. Those in favor were Rick Fetzer, Tom Marhefka, Bruce Baker, and Laird Rager. June Stephens abstained for voting. A letter will be sent to the supervisors.

A motion to adjourn was made by Laird and 2nd by Tom at 9:35 pm. all in favor.

Respectively Submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Bruce Baker".