

**Polkton Township Planning Commission
Regular Meeting
Polkton Township Hall
January 21, 2020**

Meeting Called to Order – 7:01 pm by Chairman Homik

Establish a Quorum –

Members present; G. Carpenter, K. DuBois, B. Homik, C. Lindberg, R. Scott
Member in Training; K. Wierenga

Receive Public Comment – none

Agenda – Approved with corrections made to the date. Motion by Lindberg, support by Scott to approve the agenda with corrected date. All Ayes: APPROVED.

Review/Approve Minutes from December 17, 2019 – minutes were reviewed & discussed. Motion by Scott with support by DuBois to approve the December 17, 2019 minutes. All Ayes: APPROVED.

Assign Officers for 2020 – Chair: Homik was nominated by DuBois with support by Carpenter. Homik accepted nomination. Vice Chair: Lindberg was nominated by Scott with support by DuBois. Lindberg accepted the nomination. Secretary: Carpenter was nominated by Lindberg with support by Scott. Carpenter accepted the nomination.

Recess Regular Meeting – 7:08 pm – for Public Hearings

Landfill Public Hearing – 7:09 pm. Many questions were asked; road access, 60th north of Garfield would be closed during construction, closing methods are still being discussed. Cell tower access, in discussion also. Water lines east of 60th will still be accessible and easements will remain the same. Documentation/Permits for runoff, pollution, erosion will be in accordance with NPDS. Dust control was mentioned. March 15, 2020 is tentative start date. The plan is to leave as much soil within the landfill as possible for daily use/coverage and to save money on trucking across the street. The berm will be built first and the rest will be done in phases (5-7 years) which will be dictated somewhat by the volume of waste taken in. The stockpile height to remain below the landfill height. PC would prefer to see the trees on the highway side. 500' buffer would have to be waived as the trailer park (other side of HWY) is within that distance. South of Garfield is not being used for safety reasons. Township only has jurisdiction over stockpile not landfill. Review of Resolution by Legal.

PUBLIC COMMENT: Roy & Joan Visser 5613 Garfield Street, handed out a letter stating their concerns and possible compensation. Also voiced they would like to see the DEQ involved in regards to Deer Creek, feel their 'peaceful enjoyment'/'hunting' is being taken away, why is township allowing a nuisance and why not continue with the south of Garfield area? Legal was referred to several times for clarification.

Motion to recommend to the township board to accept the OCFL PMR *with revisions* (*) to the resolution. *other agency approval (RC, DEQ, Water, etc.) *No street sweeping *Noise-waive last sentence of resolution to the north only due to presence of berm * soil volume- monthly estimate with annual total *Operating hours M-Sat 7a-7p *no surveillance fee *Initial 3yr. requirements met *Include trees on berm *waive 500' buffer to trailer park * cell tower contingency – access & emergency access *performance bond – No. Motion made by Scott supported by Carpenter . All: Ayes APPROVED

Barn Event Public Hearing – 8:53 pm was held with a recommendation to township board to approve *as amended* the Ordinance for Barn Events. Motion by Homik with support from DuBois. All: Ayes APPROVED

Time Limit on SLU Public Hearing – 8:55 pm was held with recommendation to township board to approve the Ordinance for Time Limits on SLU as *written*. Motion by DuBois supported by Scott. All Ayes. APPROVED.

Reconvened Regular Meeting – 8:57

Preview Essential Services – discussion was held. Questions on the need for trees surrounding fencing.

2020 Master Plan – all agreed much work to do and everyone is anxiously awaiting to start in February.

Board Discussions – Reviewed with brief discussion of the a. building permits from December and b. township board minutes from December 5 & January 9. Inquired if a “year-in-review” summary has been done or will be done for 2019, Jamie will check if one was done in 2018.

Public Comment: None

Motion to Adjourn- by Scott, support by DuBois. Motion passed. Meeting adjourned at 9:34 pm

Minutes written by; Jamie TenBrink, PC Recording Secretary

Next Regular Meeting – February 18, 2020 @ 7:00 pm