Springfield Township
Planning Commission Meeting
Minutes November 17, 2020

Call to Order: Chairperson Baker called the November 17, 2020 Business Meeting of the Springfield Township Planning Commission to order at 7:00 p.m. via Video/phone conference at 12000 Davisburg Road, Davisburg, 48350.

Attendance:

Commissioners Present:	Commissioners Absent
Dean Baker	Kevin Sclesky
Ruth Ann Hines	
Dave Hopper	
George Mansour	
Jason Pliska	
Terry Rusnell	

Consultants Present
Doug Lewan, Carlisle Wortman, Associates

Staff Present
Laura Moreau, Clerk

Approval of Agenda:
Commissioner Hines moved to approve the agenda as presented. Supported by Commissioner Hopper. Roll Call Vote: Voted yes: Baker, Hines, Hopper, Mansour, Pliska, Rusnell. Voted no: None. Absent: Sclesky. Motion Carried.

Public Comment:
None

Consent Agenda:

1. **Minutes of the October 20, 2020 Regular Planning Commission meeting**

Commissioner Hines moved to approve the minutes of the October 20, 2020 Regular Planning Commission meeting as presented. Supported by Commissioner Pliska. Roll Call Vote: Voted yes: Baker, Hines, Hopper, Mansour, Pliska, Rusnell. Voted no: None. Absent: Sclesky. Motion Carried.

Public Hearing:
1. Ordinance Amendment – Section 40-751 Signs

Chairperson Baker opened the Public Hearing at 7:05 PM

No public comment was heard.

Chairperson Baker closed the Public Hearing at 7:06 PM

Old Business:

1. Ordinance Amendment – Section 40-751 Signs

Commissioner Hopper referenced Maximum Height and Area Requirements on page 3. He suggested removing the last statement, "Please note that this is the current standard but reformatted."

Mr. Lewan concurred.

Commissioner Hines referenced, Purpose and Intent on page 1 and suggested removing the word "to".

Mr. Lewan concurred.

Commissioner Pliska moved to submit Ordinance Amendment – Section 40-751 Signs to the Township Board with the revisions discussed during this meeting for the Board's consideration. Supported by Commissioner Hopper. Roll Call Vote: Voted yes: Baker, Hines, Hopper, Mansour, Pliska, Rusnell. Voted no: None. Absent: Sclesky. Motion Carried.

Other Business:

1. Discussion of 2021 Planning Commission Meeting Schedule

Commissioners discussed moving the day of the Planning Commission meeting beginning in January 2021 to the fourth Tuesday of the month due to the change in Township Planner to Sally Elmiger and her availability. Commissioners agreed with the change to the fourth Tuesday of the month in 2021.

Commissioner Mansour thanked Mr. Lewan for his work for the Township.

Chairperson Baker concurred. He agreed that the meeting days will be a formal item on the December 2020 agenda. He stated that Commissioner Pliska will be moving on to the Township Board since he was elected as a Township Trustee. He recognized Collin Walls, Supervisor, and all of the support that Supervisor Walls has provided the Planning Commission over the years. He thanked Commissioner Pliska for this work on the

Commission and wished him well as he moved on to the Township Board. He thanked Mr. Lewan for his many years of service to the community and his wisdom and guidance that he has provided.

Mr. Lewan stated that he will remain with Carlisle Wortman and will work with Ms. Elmiger as she transitions back to Springfield Township.

Commissioner Pliska thanked the Commission for their help and support.

Commissioner Hopper thanked Supervisor Walls and Commissioner Pliska for their involvement and support in the community.

Commissioner Hines thanked Supervisor Walls. She owes him a debt of gratitude for supporting her from her initial hiring which was her first step into public service. She has learned so much from him. She appreciates Supervisor Walls and all he has done for her and the Township and she wishes him the best. She thanked Mr. Lewan for his service to the Township. She wished Commissioner Pliska luck in his next steps.

Commissioner Mansour stated that he has worked in the Township for 20+ years and thanked Supervisor Walls for his help in how he has developed properties in the Township. Mr. Lewan also helped him too. Their help was for the betterment of the developments and the community as a whole and he expressed how grateful he is to have worked with fellow Commissioners, Supervisor Walls and Mr. Lewan.

Commissioner Rusnell thanked Supervisor Walls for bringing him onto the Commission and thanked Mr. Lewan for his support.

Public Comment:
None

Adjournment:
Commissioner Hines moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:25 p.m. Supported by Commissioner Mansour. Roll Call Vote: Voted yes: Baker, Hines, Hopper, Mansour, Pliska, Rusnell. Voted no: None. Absent: Sclesky. Motion Carried.

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Erin A. Mattice, Recording Secretary