

HEATH TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION
April 2017

The Heath Township Planning Commission met on Thursday, April 20 at 7:00 p.m. in the Heath Township Hall.

Members Present: Don Wickstra, Chairman
 Hilda Boerman
 Mike Phillips
 Michael Stork
 Randy Poll

Also present was Greg Ransford, Planner.

The minutes from the March 16, 2017 meeting were approved on the motion of Stork supported by Poll and unanimously approved.

ITEM 1

Motion by Boerman supported by Phillips to take Rick's request off the table from last month's meeting. He would like a special use permit to build a 50 x 52 pole barn to an existing 26 x 40 pole barn. The special use is needed as the building is in front of the existing home. The property is located at 3466 36th Street, parcel number 03-09-001-018-20 and is zoned Ag. The new barn would be on the north side of the existing building. He would be 50 feet from the north property line and 72 feet from the edge of 36th St. The new building would have 14 foot walls.

Questions arose as to him running a family business from the building. This request is only for a special use for the building. Rick would need to go back to Bob Jones for a permit for a family business.

The standards were reviewed. Motion by Phillips supported by Stork to approve this request as it meets the four criteria.

ITEM 2

Reviewed the corrected future land use map. The map and text can go on to the township board and once approved it will need a motion to submit it to the surrounding municipalities.

ITEM 3

Reviewed the zoning ordinance in regards to medical marijuana. The Heath Township board does not want to allow commercial medical marijuana facilities and recommend that all of the existing Zoning Ordinance references to medical marijuana be removed. Greg stated there would need to be a public hearing by the Planning Commission to remove three references to marijuana in the Zoning Ordinance.

Discussion followed and there is always an option to opt back in. This would have to come as a recommendation from the Planning Commission.

ITEM 4

Bob spoke with the poured wall people and they would like to add on. They were told they need to clean up their property first. They will also need a revised site plan. Jerry Perry will also need to come to the Planning Commission.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:50 on the motion of Boerman supported by Phillips and unanimously approved. The next meeting will be June 15 at 7:00 p.m.

Minutes submitted by secretary Sheila Meiste.