

HEATH TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION
November 2024

The Heath Township Planning Commission met on Thursday, November 21, 2024 at 7:00 p.m. at the Township Hall.

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

Also present was Greg Ransford, Planner
Also present was Kirk Scharphorn Jr. from PCI

The meeting was called to order by Wickstra. A motion from Phillips supported by Boerman to approve the minutes from the September 26, 2024 meeting. Vote taken and unanimously approved.

ITEM 1

Request from Kristen Goodenough of Miner Lake Sand & Gravel for a SUP to operate a sand and gravel extraction operation pursuant to Chapter 27 of the Heath Township Zoning Ordinance. Wickstra opened up the public meeting. Engineers from Meyers, Bueche & Nies introduced themselves and presented the proposed operation and answered questions from Board member Wickstra. Scott Kruithof also introduced himself. He will be helping with the operations of the Sand pit and hauling product. Wickstra closed the public meeting. The Board went through the questions in Section 27 of the Heath Township Zoning Ordinance. All requirements were met. The board questioned if contact info and hours would be on signs. The board questioned road conditions and Engineers confirmed that the Road Commission was in charge of this. Kruithof has been in contact with the DNR to confirm how to handle the stumps at the conclusion of the pit. The Board questioned daily trucking numbers. Motion by Stork with support from Phillips to approve the SUP as presented on 11/15/24 as all standards were met on Ordinance 27.14 in the Heath Township Zoning Ordinance, including paving the 300' interior as well as the money for the Certificate of Liability by the Engineer and owner. Vote taken, all in favor. Motion carried.

ITEM 2

Amendments to Chapter 25 of Heath Township Zoning Ordinance. Wickstra opened up the public hearing. Planner Greg presented the updated amendments that were approved by the Attorney to make this a workable ordinance. Wickstra closed the public hearing. Motion by Boerman with support from Stork to adopt the amendments as presented. Vote taken, all in favor. Motion carried.

ITEM 3

New Business

1. Discussion to continue to meet on the 4th Thursday of the month.
2. Motion from Phillips with support from Boerman to have the same Board positions for 2025: Wickstra – Chair, Stork - Vice Chair, Boerman – Secretary. Vote taken, all in favor. Motion carried.

Next meeting will be February 27. 2025 at 7:00 pm.

Motion by Poll with support from Boerman and unanimously approved to adjourn the meeting at 8:06 pm.

Minutes submitted by Clerk Missy Harvey