

BRIDGEWATER TOWNSHIP
PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING
Bridgewater Township Government Center
Thursday, November 29, 2018
Official Minutes

- ❖ John Klockeman called the meeting to order at 7:00
- ❖ Members present were John Klockeman, Bruce Morlan, Ray Larson, Larry Alderks, Jeff Johnson, Kurt Schrader, Frances Boehning, Carolyn Braun, and Jim Braun. Supervisors present were Glen Castore and Gary Ebling.
- ❖ Bruce Morlan made a motion to approve the agenda, Ray Larson seconded, all approved.
- ❖ Bruce Morlan made a motion to approve the minutes of November 1, 2018, Larry Alderks seconded, all approved.

- ❖ Open Forum: None.

- ❖ Public Hearings: Zoning Ordinance Amendments
 - Hearing opened at 7:03 pm.
 - Carolyn Braun reviewed the changes that were made to the code. The code was reformatted, typos were corrected, and other changes were made to conform to the Rice County ordinances. The Planning Commission may need to change ordinances in the future to follow Rice County's possible change from CER ratings to CPI.
 - It was clarified that campgrounds are now allowed in the township via C.U.P in the ag and rural reserve areas.
 - The public hearing was closed at 7:13 pm.
 - Jeff Johnson made a motion to approve the memo for information for amending the zoning ordinance, Ray Larson seconded, all approved.

- ❖ Old Business: None

- ❖ New Business:
 - Start Discussion on Comprehensive Plan Components:
 - Glen Castore reviewed the incorporation timeline and how the comp plan will tie in. The Board of Supervisors will lay out components at the next Board meeting on December 12. Glen Castore reviewed that upcoming future incorporation meetings will be run in a set format to allow for residents input and feedback. Information gained from the incorporation meetings will build

the foundation of the Comp Plan. Information will be provided to the Planning Commission from the Board of Supervisors.

- Bruce Morlan recommended that the residents be given a timeline and list of goals that will be met by certain dates.
- Ray Larson requested that residents be kept informed via newsletters.
- John Klockeman requested that the next newsletter clarify the terms “town”, “city” and other incorporation terms.

❖ Miscellaneous:

- Notification of Fireside Apple Expansion project:
 - Jim Braun reviewed the expansion project for Fireside. The expansion will include a commercial kitchen and a meeting room.
 - A public hearing will need to be held for the Fireside expansion, the date set for the hearing is December 27, 2018.

- Edgebrook property – clean up actions
 - The property on Edgebrook Drive has made progress on cleaning up the outside of the house. Jim Braun talked to the County Health Nurse regarding obtaining assistance for the resident. The County will also try to obtain help for the resident from local college professors.

- Dundas Zoning Question
 - Larry Alderks requested clarification from Jim Braun regarding some questions about how areas in the Dundas City are zoned.

- ❖ Adjourn – Bruce Morlan made a motion to adjourn at 7:59 pm, Jeff Johnson seconded, all approved.