

SPRING ARBOR TOWNSHIP
PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING
TUESDAY, OCTOBER 14, 2014

The regular meeting of the Spring Arbor Township Planning Commission was called to order by Chairman Carl Jacobson at 7:00 p.m. at the Township Hall.

Members Present: David Herlein, Carl Jacobson, Susan Luplow, Doug Martz, Ken Melville, Mel Rice and Richard Roth

Members Absent: Mike Archer

Guests: Matt Snyder, Pat Sprague, Aquanita Johnson, Jason Covalle and Michael Eyde

Staff: Jan Gardner - Township Zoning Administrator

Minutes: On a motion by Melville and seconded by Roth the minutes for the August 12, 2014 meeting were accepted. Approved.

Old Business: Site Plan Review SPR 13-03 Wardcraft/Jason Covalle-Covalle Group

Jason Covalle described a revised site plan dated October 2, 2014 and prepared by Driesenga and Associates. He reviewed the actions and changes to the plan that had occurred since the December 2013 meeting. Jan Gardner indicated that the Township had received review letters regarding the proposed drainage from OMM and the Jackson County Drain Commissioner. A motion was made by Herlein and seconded by Martz to approve the site plan with the following conditions:

1. Must comply with the three requirements stated in the review letter from the County Drain Commissioner dated October 14, 2014.
2. Must comply with Sec 7.13 of the Zoning Ordinance.
3. If Wardcraft desires to build less than the full drainage reflected on the plan dated October 2, 2014, a revised site plan would need to be prepared, then reviewed and approved by OMM and the County Drain Commissioner, prior to the issuance of a building permit.

Motion Approved.

New Business: none

Public Comment: Michael Eyde, owner of Arbor Hills Golf Club, talked about the zoning of the golf course which is currently RS-1, Suburban Residential. He would like to change the zoning to something other than RS-1. Carl Jacobson explained the process for rezoning. In response to a question, Mr. Eyde indicated that the current zoning is too restrictive for his plan to drill an oil well on the golf course. The possibility of conditional rezoning was discussed. Mr. Eyde stated that he will provide the Township with an application to rezone this parcel in the near future.

Reports: none

Member Comments – none

Meeting adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Dave Herlein, Secretary