

**BARODA TOWNSHIP**  
**Planning Commission Meeting**  
**April 9, 2018**

Chairman David Schultz called the meeting to order at 6:31 p.m. in the Baroda Township Municipal Building Meeting Room at 9091 First Street, Baroda.

Present were, Dean Schmaltz, David Schultz, Patrick Freehling, Tom Shafer, Ed Heyn and Wendie Shafer. Also present was Zoning Administrator Jim Pheifer.

The minutes of the March 12, 2018 Planning Commission meeting were reviewed. Dean Schmaltz moved, seconded by David Schultz to approve the minutes of the last meeting. Vote, All yes. Motion carried.

Wendie Shafer reported that in March three Building Permits and one Site Plan Review had been approved.

David Schultz called upon Jim Pheifer who explained the site plan review for the Joshua Rick Cidery and tasting room. He reported he has approved the plan with the conditions requiring adherence to County and State regulations.

Chairman Schultz reviewed the slight changes made regarding the proposed Resorts ordinance language. He said a public hearing will be held for the ordinance along with joint public hearings when Agricultural Tourism ordinance and a Wind Energy ordinance language are approved.

There was discussion on proposed language for an Agricultural Tourism provided by Charlie Ammeson was briefly discussed. The commissioners decided to continue discussion at the May meeting after having attended the April 30<sup>th</sup> Seminar on Agricultural Tourism given by the Michigan State Extension Office. Five members of the Planning Commission committed to attend the seminar. Wendie is to register the group for the class.

The Commissioners briefly discussed wind energy.

The Date for the August 2018 Planning Commission meeting was changed to Tuesday August 7<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 p.m. due to the regular date being during Fair week.

Ed Heyn asked whether he will be able to stay on the Planning Commission because he is temporarily living outside the Township due to family issues. Clerk Shafer said that Mr. Heyn would be considered a Township resident until such time as he would permanently move out of the district.

Chairman David Schultz adjourned the meeting at 7:16 p.m. The next Planning Commission meeting is scheduled for Monday, May 14, 2018.

Wendie Shafer,  
Baroda Township Planning Commission Secretary