

BARODA TOWNSHIP
Planning Commission Meeting
August 7, 2018

Chairman David Schultz called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. in the Baroda Township Municipal Building Auxiliary Meeting Room at 9091 First Street, Baroda.

Present were, David Schultz, Dean Schmaltz, Tom Shafer, Patrick Freehling, Peter VanVooren and Wendie Shafer. Absent was Ed Heyn. There were four audience members.

The minutes of the July 9, 2018 Planning Commission meeting were reviewed. Patrick Freehling moved, seconded by Dean Schmaltz to approve the minutes of the last meeting. Vote – All Yes, Motion carried.

Wendie Shafer reported that in July Building Permits had been issued for two re-roofs, one new home, one commercial sign, and one pole shed. She reported the Zoning Administrator approved Zoning Permits for the pole shed, new home and commercial sign.

Since there were guests wishing to speak David Schultz opened New Business. Kelly Day presented a proposal for a Special Land Use to expand the current barn to accommodate an indoor riding arena and lease up to 10 horse stalls on property her mother is purchasing at 722 W. Shawnee Rd. It was recommended Ms. Day speak with Jim Pheifer and for a public hearing to be set for September 10 pending his recommendation.

Tammy D'Agostino and her daughter Gage Smith proposed using portions of their industrial building for manufacturing and refurbishing furniture as well as having a retail area for the sale of artisanal products. A color coded diagram of the building was provided. It was suggested that the manufacturing of furniture would fit in the industrial zone. It was explained that retail sales is not listed as a permitted use in the industrial zone. It was recommended that the ladies contact Jim Pheifer regarding the need for a SLUP or Variance for those activities.

There was brief discussion regarding the Ag Tourism and Wind Energy Ordinance amendments. It was reported that Charlie Ammeson had not responded to the Clerk's request for an opinion on the revised Ag Tourism language. It was suggested to use much of the Weesaw Twp.'s Residential wind energy ordinance language added into the language already agreed upon regarding commercial towers. Wendie is to incorporate the language and send it to Charlie Ammeson for review and an opinion.

Peter Van Vooren asked who should be notified to request a neighbor to mow the lawn at a home on Hills Rd. He was told that the Ordinance enforcement officer for Baroda Township is John Hopkins. Wendie volunteered to notify Officer Hopkins.

Chairman David Schultz adjourned the meeting at 7:21 p.m. The next Planning Commission meeting is scheduled for Monday September 10, 2018.

Wendie Shafer,
Baroda Township Planning Commission Secretary