

Bengal Township Planning Commission SPECIAL Meeting – Wednesday, February 28, 2018

Minutes

Meeting called to order by Lori Pung at 6:09 p.m.

Members Present: Lori Pung, Tom Miller, Nick McDonald and Duane Pung

Members Absent: Brenda Zlotek

Public Present: Deb Schafer, Rex Ferguson, Louise Ferguson

Discussion Regarding Meeting Minutes from 2-7-18 initiated by Nick McDonald – Original minutes state the following: “The plan of the Bengal Township Planning Commission will be to hold an additional meeting on February 28, 2018 at 7PM with the hope that a representative from McKenna and the township assessor Mark Holley can attend for advisement to the board on what changes would best suit the needs of the township and the residents in relation to the land splits less than 10 acres for existing homesteads on agricultural property.”

Discussion resulted in amending the Minutes as follows:

“The plan of the Bengal Township Planning Commission will be to hold an additional meeting on February 28, 2018 at ~~7PM-6PM~~ with the hope ~~that a representative from McKenna and~~ the township assessor Mark Holley can attend for advisement to the board on what changes would best suit the needs of the township and the residents in relation to the land splits less than 10 acres for existing homesteads on agricultural property as well as address the Technical Review of the Bengal Township Interim Zoning Ordinance which was prepared by McKenna Associates.

Motion made by Lori Pung to accept the Meeting Minutes as amended and seconded by Tom Miller. Motion unanimously passed.

Mr. Rex Ferguson wanted to know what they should do regarding their proposed land split for Betty Hicks. As it stands now the current ordinance will not allow a split of less than 10 acres. The Commission advised that she can either move forward with a variance request or wait until the Interim Ordinance has addressed the minimum 10 acre requirement.

Commission had in-depth discussion regarding the 10 page Technical Review of Interim Zoning Ordinance dated 12-4-2017 that McKenna completed. Each point was discussed and the Commission will respond to McKenna via marking up the document whether or not they agreed with the recommendations or further clarification or information is needed. McKenna will be at the March 7, 2018 meeting to discuss.

Meeting adjourned at 9:17 p.m.

Approved 3/7/18