

## **Bengal Township Planning Commission Meeting Minutes**

**02/03/2021 at 7 PM Bengal Township Michigan via Zoom:**

<https://mcka.zoom.us/j/97610522590?pwd=bFVyczlyaklJSnlBdCtjRDYrZzJuUT09>

**Members present:** Lori Pung- Chairperson attending from Broward County, Hollywood FL; Kurt Koenigsknecht- Bengal Twp, Clinton County, MI; Tom Miller- Bengal Twp, Clinton County, MI; Eric Boak- Bengal Twp, Clinton County, MI; Brenda Zlotek- Bengal Twp. Clinton County, MI.

**Public present:** Christopher Khorey, Thomas McComb, Nick McDonald, Ben Halfman

Meeting called to order by Chairperson Pung at 7:01 pm

Pledge of Allegiance led by Chairperson Pung

Motion to approve revised (to include member locations via Zoom) January 6, 2021 Planning Commission minutes by Kurt Koenigsknecht, second by Eric Boak: Motion passed.

Public comment for Non- Agenda items – Tom McCrumb provided an inspector report, one complaint of Ordinance violation related to junk, and one issue with Ordinance non-compliance by a contractor. Both currently being worked on with the resident and contractor.

### **Public Hearing on Following Ordinance Amendments:**

7:12 PM Lori Pung entertained a motion to open public hearing to **Clarify and Revise Regulations on Manmade ponds**, so moved by Kurt Koenigsknecht, second by Eric Boak: Motion passed.

Public comment-none

7:14PM Lori Pung entertained a motion to close public hearing on **Manmade ponds clarification and regulation**, so moved by Kurt Koenigsknecht, second by Eric Boak: Motion passed.

7:16PM Lori Pung entertained a motion to open public hearing to **Define and Regulate Swimming Pools**, so moved by Tom Miller, second by Kurt Koenigsknecht: Motion passed.

Public comment- None

7:18 PM Lori Pung entertained a motion to close public hearing to **Define and Regulate Swimming Pools**, so moved by Tom Miller, second by Brenda Zlotek: Motion passed.

7:28PM Lori Pung entertained a motion to open public hearing to **Increase the required setback for accessory freestanding solar panels to 20 feet**, so moved by Kurt Koenigsknecht, second by Eric Boak: Motion passed.

Public comment- None

7:29PM Lori Pung entertained a motion to close public hearing to **Increase the required setback for accessory freestanding solar panels to 20 feet**, so moved by Tom Miller, second by Eric Boak: Motion passed.

7:31PM Lori Pung entertained a motion to open public hearing to **Clarify certain Zoning Administration and Enforcement Procedures**, so moved by Tom Miller, second by Eric Boak: Motion passed.

Public Comment: Nick McDonald asked the Zoning Administrator if the Township board needs to appoint the Enforcement officer and give him/her the ability to collect fines. Chris Khorey confirmed that this does need to be done at the Township Board level.

7:38 PM Lori Pung entertained a motion to close public hearing to **Clarify certain Zoning Administration and Enforcement Procedures**, so moved by Kurt Koenigsknecht, second by Eric Boak: Motion passed.

7:39 PM Lori Pung entertained a motion to Approve the Resolution of the Ordinance Amendments with revisions discussed tonight to the township board, so moved by Kurt Koenigsknecht, second by Eric Boak. Roll call vote: Lori Pung "yes", Kurt Koenigsknecht "yes", Tom Miller "yes", Eric Boak "yes, Brenda Zlotek "yes". Motion approved.

No Public Comment on Agenda Items.

Zoning Board of Appeals report from Kurt Koenigsknecht: discussed cost and time frame of upcoming training for ZBA new members (and any other township board members interested) with Chris Khorey. Likely earliest training would be in mid to late March they will review possible training dates.

Lori Pung had question from a resident on possible land split, discussed with Zoning Administrator Chris Khorey.

Meeting adjourned by Lori Pung at 8:09PM

Respectfully submitted pending approval.

Brenda Zlotek, Bengal Township Planning Commission Secretary.

Approved\_\_04/07/2021