Minutes of Emmett Township Planning Commission

August 16, 2012

Chairman Mueller called the meeting to order at 7:02 pm. Roll call taken with Mueller, Kowalski, Reliford, Powers, and Dumas present.

Dumas read the June minutes for the regular meeting. Kowalski made a motion to accept the minutes as read. Powers seconds the motion. With all in favor, motion carried.

Mueller stated that the planning commission should table the map changes until he receives information on updating and changing maps from Donaldson of St. Clair County Metropolitan Planning Commission.

The Patricia & Lawrence Powers land split should be removed from the agenda until further notice.

New business, Emmett Township has requested the planning to review the sign ordinance for replacement of the townships portable sign. Upon reviewing section 17 of the Emmett Township ordinance book the planning commission decided that Public/Semi-Public Districts should be included in section 17.03. Kowalski made a motion to amend the section 17.03 heading and beginning statement to read as follows:

Section 17.03 Signs in Commercial, Industrial, and Public/Semi-Public Districts

Signs shall be permitted in these districts are subject to the following restrictions:

Powers seconds the motion. With all in favor, motion carried.

Mueller asked for any matters pertaining to the general public. Chris Petris of the KOA campground requested information on adding a parking lot for overflow parking. Petris presented the planning commission with a layout of the campground with the location of the proposed parking lot. He stated that the KOA campground has limited visitor parking which has been overflowing onto the road. Thus, the campground wishes to add additional parking for visitors. The KOA campground is considering a parking lot of 20 to 30 spaces. Dumas presented Petris with a copy of Section 14 of the Emmett Township ordinance book. As the planning commission reviewed Article 14 and a lengthy discussion, Kowalski made a motion to amend Section 14.01 Off-Street Parking Requirements by removing Section 14.01 number 11.a.(7) Travel Trailer Parks and adding to Section 14.01, 11.b. item number (17) to read as follows:

(17) Travel Trailer Parks One (1) space per site

Reliford seconds the motion. With all in favor, motion carried.

Open hearing for Section 17.03 and 14.01 amendments will be scheduled after the planning commission completes the final review of the ordinance book.

Other business, Dumas stated that the new revision of Emmett Township Ordinance book needs to be reviewed by the planning commission. With the amount of changes it should be double checked. The planning commission found some missing changes and will review at next meeting when original amendments can be viewed. Dumas will make corrections and bring the original amendments to the next meeting.

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No Correspondences

Kowalski moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:25p.m. Powers seconds the motion. Motion carried.

Recording Secretary of the
Emmett Township Planning Commission,

Susann J. Dumas