

**HOMER TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION
MEETING MINUTES
DECEMBER 10, 2012**

PRESENT: Greg Bate, Sandra Simmons, John Stern, Erna Varner, Rollin Yeakle

EXCUSED: Darcie Johnson

GUESTS: Kevin Varner

CALL TO ORDER: 7:00PM by Chairperson Simmons

AGENDA: Approved with following additions: 1- Update on township legal action, 2-Resignation status of planning commission member.

MINUTES: Nov.12, 2012 minutes approved as distributed. Members requested that future minutes include more detail as to committee discussions/actions to serve as a more complete base for future reference.

NO PUBLIC COMMENT, SITE PLANS, SPECIAL USES, REZONING

COMMUNICATIONS: **1-**Kevin Varner updated members on status of legal action on property by cemetery. **2-** Kevin also stated that we need to amend the zoning ordinance to add a narrative section that reflects the definition of JUNK in the definitions section as the court cannot enforce a definition without a corresponding section in the ordinance. **3-**Kevin has also been contacted by someone who is exploring locating an indoor gun range in the township. **4-**Kevin raised the discussion of accessory building on sites without a principal residence in RA zoned area. **5-**The township supervisor has talked with the planning commission member who verbally resigned and that resignation will be accepted by the board in their Dec. meeting.

OLD BUSINESS: **1-**Commission members reported on the references for the master plan consultants we are considering. There were no negative comments of any substance on any consultant from any reference. There was general discussion about comments regarding timely feedback and methods of securing public input. These will be areas we will focus on in the interviews. **2-**Time allocation for the 30 minute interviews was discussed—proposed it could be half presentation & half Q&A. **3-**To make the best use of time at the Jan. meeting decided that person who checked on references would escort that consultant in/out of room. **4-**Proposals received will be copied and mailed to members by Tues of next week. **5-**Proposed planning commission bylaws revisions were reviewed with no changes proposed-will be voted on at Jan. meeting. **6-**Date/time for GIS orientation confirmed :1-14-13 6:30-8:30pm at the hall.

NO NEW BUSINESS

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 8:40PM.

Submitted by Sandra Simmons (unapproved)

CC: R. Varner, K. Varner, A.Dittmer