

HOMER TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION MINUTES
February 1, 2016

Present: Sandra Simmons, Greg Bate, Mindy Wolfe, John Stern, Darcie Johnson, Erna Varner

Excused: Joel Marshall Others: Kevin Varner, Russ Varner

Call to Order: Meeting called to order at 7:00pm by Chairperson Simmons.

Agenda: Approved as distributed.

Approval of Minutes: Minutes from January 4, 2016 planning meeting approved as distributed.

Public Comment: Russ Varner questioned if the stand alone ordinances would have any grandfathering attached. The planning commission advised that there would not be grandfathering and emphasized the importance of coming to the public hearing and all the places it will be publicized. Kevin Varner stated he had talked with a person regarding a potential electronic billboard, which currently are not addressed in our ordinance. Chairperson Simmons stated this will be addressed and made current in the updated zoning ordinance.

Site Plan/Special Use Permit/Rezoning: None.

Public Hearing: None.

Old Business: Kevin Varner gave status updates on ongoing zoning ordinance cases he is actively working on. Updated Planning Commission Meeting Schedule with Consultant distributed.

New Business:

Review of three proposed free-standing ordinances:

Motorized Vehicles

Nuisance

Unsafe Structures – Current Purpose to be replaced by R101.3 Intent from the Building Code

Sections on Severability, Enforcement and Abatement, Sanctions and Additional Remedies were added to all three ordinances. Kevin Varner will discuss the pros and cons of the township developing a sanction fee schedule and any associated legal requirements in addition to court imposed sanctions.

Adjournment: Meeting adjourned at 8:20pm (motion- E. Varner/Second-G. Bate)

Respectfully Submitted by Mindy Wolfe, Secretary
cc: R. Varner, K. Varner

Next Meeting is Monday, March 7, 2016