

HOMER TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION

PUBLIC HEARING MINUTES

April 4, 2016

Present: Sandra Simmons, Greg Bate, Mindy Wolfe, Joel Marshall, Darcie Johnson, John Stern

Excused: Erna Varner

Others: Kevin Varner, Rodney Nanney, Russ Varner, Sandra Turk, Emily Caruso, Megan Belanger

Call to Order: Meeting called to order at 6:30pm by Chairperson Simmons.

Purpose of the Public Hearing: Review special use permit to establish a group child daycare home located at 87 N Homer Road

Attached: Michigan Zoning Enabling Act (Excerpt) Act 110 of 2006 with answers
Homer Township Planning Commission Special Use Permit Review Standards with answers
Homer Township Planning Commission Land Use Application

Public Comment:

1. When will you open? Answer: As soon as we finish the licensing process.
2. What are your hours of operation? Answer: Monday – Friday 6am – 6pm. Reminder it cannot exceed 16 hours per day.
3. Have you checked the drain field and septic system to ensure it will accommodate the amount of people? Answer: Yes, a new drain field was put in last summer. (Summer of 2015)
4. A question was raised as to the current zoning ordinance requirement in the home occupations section that no outside employees are permitted and the special use permit states 1 employee. Mr. Nanney clarified that state licensing set child/caregiver ratios and those requirements and the wording of the MI Zoning Enabling Act supersede the local zoning ordinance so there is no conflict.

Public Comments Reviewed by Planning Commission.

Recommended Action on Proposed Special Use Permit: Approved.

Commission vote: Support: Marshall, Wolfe, Bate, Johnson, Stern, Simmons

Oppose: None

Abstain: None

Homer Township Planning Commission Formal Action on Attached Land Use Application attached.

Public Hearing Adjournment: Public Hearing adjourned at 6:45pm

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