

BLAIR TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION
Approved Minutes
July 18, 2018

- A. **CALL TO ORDER:**
The Blair Planning Commission was called to order by Chairman Heim at 6:00 pm.
- B. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:**
The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.
- C. **ROLL CALL:**
Present at roll call: Clous, Lombard, Boeve, Fitzpatrick, Wagner, Heim and Nickerson.
Also, present: Zoning Administrator Lisa Guerri and Recording Secretary Susan Kase.
- D. **PUBLIC INPUT:**
There was no public input.
- E. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA:**
Motion by Fitzgerald, seconded by Clous to amend and approve the agenda to add the election of officers under New Business. **Yes:** Clous, Lombard, Wagner, Heim, Fitzpatrick, Boeve, Nickerson. **No:** None. **Motion carried.**
- F. **DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST:**
There was no stated conflict of interest.
- G. **MINUTES:**
Motion by Lombard, seconded by Nickerson to make one correction under “New Business – Special Use” and approve the minutes of June 20, 2018. **Yes:** Heim, Clous, Fitzpatrick, Lombard, Wagner, Boeve, Nickerson. **No:** None. **Motion carried.**
- H. **CORRESPONDENCE:**
There was no correspondence.
- I. **PRESENTATIONS:**
There was no presentation.
- J. **UN FINISHED BUSINESS:**
1. **Master Plan**
Chairman Heim asked Travis Clous for a status update. Clous responded that he has made corrections and is looking for final input. Lisa Guerri commented that she is waiting for zoning maps and existing land use maps. She will reach out to Brian Sousa, Engineer, for an estimate on producing a new book, preferably in color using AutoCad. The Commission discussed the language used in balancing the land rights of agricultural owners with the land uses desired by those same owners, the current definitions of affordable housing and market rate housing, the environmental impact of encouraging recreational use of the Boardman River access sites in Blair Township, encouraging development as it relates to the commercial corridor in the Township, and discouraging urban sprawl. The Master Plan is not ready for Public Hearing yet as the next steps are the incorporation of

the maps into the Plan and then it will be sent to the public agencies for 30 – 45 days of review.

K. NEW BUSINESS:

1. Election of Officers: **Boeve** nominated Jerry Heim as Chairman. **Yes:** Heim, Clous, Fitzpatrick, Lombard, Wagner, Boeve, Nickerson. **No:** None. **Motion carried; Nickerson** nominated George Lombard as Vice Chair. **Yes:** Heim, Clous, Fitzpatrick, Lombard, Wagner, Boeve, Nickerson. **No:** None. **Motion carried; Boeve** nominated Adam Wagner as Secretary. **Yes:** Heim, Clous, Fitzpatrick, Lombard, Wagner, Boeve, Nickerson. **No:** None. **Motion carried.**

L. REPORTS

- 1.) Lisa Guerreri, Zoning Administrator, informed the Planning Commission that one member of the Planning Commission is needed to serve on the Zoning Board of Appeals. There were no volunteers. Lisa will choose a member. The August meeting currently has several special use applications and a site plan review.
- 2.) Dennis Fitzpatrick, Town Board Representative, reported that the Rennie School Road Brownfield was approved, the BARC special use application passed, and there was a review for the purchase of a new fire truck.
- 3.) Currently no ZBA representative to the Planning Commission.
- 4.) George Lombard as Trails representative did not have anything to report.

M. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

- 1.) It was brought to the attention of the Commission that a calendar with due dates should be created, and to include updates of the Capital Improvement Plan (not updated since 2015) and the Blair Township Five Year Community Recreation Plan (not updated since 2005-2006).
- 2.) The Splash Pad is currently incurring monthly water bills of \$3,000.00 and it was suggested that the water run off could be used to irrigate the nearby field.

N. PUBLIC INPUT

There was none.

O. ADJOURNMENT

Adjourned at 7:14 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Susan Kase, Recorder