

Sumpter Township
Planning Commission Meeting
Minutes
April 14, 2011

Meeting called to order at 7:00 pm by Chairman Stalmack showing present: Stalmack, Clark, Kennedy, Oddy & Boelter. Also present Deputy Clerk Hurst, Planners, Enos & Cripps and 1 resident. Excused absence: Borden, Walker, Cichewicz & Swinson.

Motion by Kennedy, supported by Oddy to approve the minutes of March 10, 2011. Motion carried unanimously.

The commissioners stated that it was very difficult to go back and forth with our current zoning language to the proposed language. The Planners handed out to the commissioners a compiled a guide which indicates which Articles of the new Zoning Ordinance with the old ordinances. It should make it easier for the commissioners to find the new additions and the present ordinances.

Discussion to have the zoning enabling act language added to Article 1 and number of members, meeting times so there is no question when residents ask. The planning commission does have by-laws, which state what is required.

Commissioner Oddy passed out copies of the portion of the zoning section he was to review, which was Article 2 pages 1-24 which was rules of construction and definitions. He compared and listed his findings. Chairman Stalmack stated that in her section, which was Article 2 pages 25-46 & Article 12 & 13, she explained that over all have much better definitions than our current ordinances. Commissioner Oddy stated that we need to finish and agree with the definitions and then go on to the other sections. Discussion on how the commission is going to present this to the public. We can have copies available at the library, on the web site, at the clerks' office. And when it comes time to publish the entire zoning ordinance does not need to be published just the section numbers listed.

At the next meeting everyone will have a chance to go over all the definitions and then can proceed to work on Article 4 districts and Article 6 uses which go together.

Motion by Boelter supported by Oddy for the next meeting to be June 9, 2011 at 6pm. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Boelter supported by Stalmack to adjourn at 8:30 pm. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,
Esther Hurst
Deputy Clerk