Holly Township Planning Commission – Regular Meeting Minutes of April 2, 2019

Call to Order: Chairman Engelberg called the regular meeting of the Holly Township Planning Commission to order at 6:30 p.m. At the Karl Richter Community Center, Holly Area Schools Board Room, 920 E. Baird St, Holly Michigan.

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call:

Members Present:

Tony Engelberg, Chairman Stacey Steckley, Commissioner Glen Mitchell, Commissioner Lloyd Kernen, Commissioner Ray Kerton, Commissioner Pam Mazich, Commissioner

Others Present:

Irvin Wyche, Assistant Planner

Members Absent:

Pat Feeney, Commissioner

Commissioner Steckley made a motion to excuse Commissioner Feeney's absence. Commissioner Mitchell supported the motion. A voice vote was taken, all those present voted yes; the motion carried by a 6/0 vote.

Agenda Approval:

> Commissioner Kernen made a motion to approve the agenda. Commissioner Steckley supported the motion. A voice vote was taken, all those present voted yes; the motion carried by a 6/0 vote.

Public Comment – Agenda Items Only: N.A.

Public Hearings: None.

Approval of Minutes – March 5, 2019.

> Commissioner Steckley made a motion to approve the minutes. Commissioner Kerton supported the motion. A voice vote was taken, all those present voted yes; the motion carried by a 6/0 vote.

Communications: None.

Old Business: N.A. New Business:

1. Proposed Amendment to Holly Township Zoning Ordinance Chapter 32 Zoning, Section 32-143: Seasonal Sales.

Irvin Wyche, the Assistant Planner, discussed the current ordinance language and possible language for an updated ordinance. No Action was taken.

2. Agritourism.

Irvin Wyche, the Assistant Planner, discussed current ordinance language from other Townships and Cities in the area and suggested possible language for an updated ordinance. No Action was taken.

Reports:

Commissioner Mitchell is glad to see they are dealing with these issues of agritourism. He doesn't like to add more restrictions to small businesses and is glad they are keeping an open mind on this topic. Things can change quickly and it's hard to know what the future holds.

Commissioner Steckley welcomes new Commissioner Pam Mazich. She is looking forward to getting to know her and to see what she will bring to the table. She is cautious about putting too many restrictions on agritourism and agrees with Commissioner Mitchell's comments.

Commissioner Mazich thanked the Board for welcoming her, she is glad to be here. It is good to discuss things prior to them happening and have ordinances and regulations already in place so they are prepared.

Commissioner Kernen reported that Christmas in Action is this month. There will be a meeting with information available about the workday and assignments will be given out for the house involved on Thursday April 25, 2019 at the Baptist Church in Holly. The workday will be on Saturday April 27, 2019 at 8am. Commissioner Kerton is also involved with his business, which provides much needed assistance each year. Volunteers of all kinds are needed, and you do not have to be skilled to lend a hand. More information is available at www.hollycia.org.

Chairman Engelberg would like to welcome Commissioner Pam Mazich. They met at the Planner's Gathering in Pontiac last month. Downtown Pontiac has had many updates in the last few years and he recommends people check it out. He went to Findlay, OH and saw wind turbines being built which was quite an interesting process. His condolences go out to Ted Gurski's family, as he passed away about 6 weeks ago. He wishes the family well, they are in his thoughts.

Public Comment:

Stacy Taylor, 15566 Falk Rd, addressed the Board.

➤ Chairman Engelberg made a motion to allow Stacy Taylor an additional 3 minutes for comment. Commissioner Steckley supported the motion. A voice vote was taken, all those present voted yes; the motion carried by a 6/0 vote.

Adjournment

Chairman Engelberg, hearing no other business; adjourned the meeting at 7:40 pm.

Courtney Scian Recording Secretary