

# Conway Township Planning Commission Meeting Minutes

## June 12, 2017

Agenda	Items Discussed	Actions to be Taken
<b>Attendees</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Public: Herm and Shirley Yost, Bob Carusi, and Cindy Dickerson</li> <li>• Board Members present: Dennis Bowdoin, George Pushies, Londa Horton, Mike Stock, Larry Parsons, Dennis Sommer. Absent: Chuck Skwirsk. Todd Thomas, Zoning Administrator, present, and Abby Cooper, attorney, present.</li> </ul>	
<b>Call to Order and Pledge to Flag</b>	<p>Chair, Dennis Bowdoin called the Conway Township Planning Commission meeting to order at 7:00pm and led in the Pledge of Allegiance. Dennis called roll call.</p> <p>The next meeting is July 10, 2017 at 7:00pm.</p>	
<b>Minutes from last meeting</b>	Larry Parsons moved to approve the May 8 (regular), and May 16 joint meeting minutes. Second by Mike Stock. All in favor. Motion passed.	
<b>Communications</b>	<p>Dennis Bowdoin shared the following communications:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• MTA is hosting <i>Fundamentals of Assessment &amp; Taxation</i> on June 22 and <i>Land Use: Defining Your Township's Future</i> on June 23.</li> <li>• Dennis received an email from Mrs. Beatie who is interested in the licensing of marijuana facilities. Dennis returned her call.</li> </ul> <p>Dennis Sommer indicated if the township has a gun ordinance stricter than the State, they are out of compliance.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• There is controversy over the Rover pipeline drilling regarding spills of drilling mud which is an environmental issue.</li> </ul>	
<b>Call to the Public</b>	Herm Yost discussed some marijuana issues dating back to the 1940s.	
<b>Old Business</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• George Pushies made a motion to have Abby Cooper copy ordinance changes for Planning Commission meetings. Second Mike Stock. All in favor. Motion passed. Larry Parsons will approach the Board to have the local office provide copies.</li> <li>• The size on the Leroy township solar farm is 18 x 40. 250' square feet is what we recommend for the size of solar panels for residential use.</li> <li>• For new mud bog ordinance changes on page 3, there should be language addressing no tracking of mud before exiting offsite, e.g. wash the vehicle prior to exiting. Abby added a lighting requirement as well as adequate supply of potable water, a plan for waste disposal, soil and erosion control, dust control, traffic control, and an escrow account is needed. Need approval from drain commission, fire control, and health control, DEQ, etc. Include motor cycles, tractors, off road vehicles and other motorized equipment, (included</li> </ul>	

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	<p>but not limited to) in the mud bog ordinance.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Add tractor pulls to the Ag Tourism ordinance. Abby to research this issue further with case law.</li> <li>• Discussed changes to definitions for “structure” and “building.” Exempt concrete slabs from structures. The current ordinance already has a 5’ setback from the lot line for pouring a concrete slab.</li> <li>• Abby will research indoor and outdoor standards in terms of lighting for marijuana growing.</li> <li>• Master Plan work will continue July 10 with John Enos.</li> <li>• Update from the Cemetery Plan for the Master Plan given by Cindy Dickerson. The history of each cemetery and a wish list will be recorded. On June 24 and 28, work will continue on this Master Plan.</li> </ul>	
<b>New Business</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• An inquiry was made regarding turning the former Conway church on the corner of N. Fowlerville and Chase Lake Roads into a party store. Rezoning would have to be undertaken.</li> <li>• Todd Thomas gave the Zoning Administrator report. He issued five Land Use Permits last month.</li> <li>• The Internet Progress Report was given by George Pushies.</li> </ul>	
<b>Update from the Board</b>	Larry Parsons gave an update from the Conway Township Board.	
<b>Last call to public</b>	-0-	
<b>General Discussion</b>		
<b>Adjournment</b>	George Pushies made a motion seconded by Larry Parsons to adjourn at 8:45pm. All in favor. Motion passed.	