

Avon Township Planning Board

July 27, 2005

Avon City Hall

The regular meeting of the Planning Board was called to order by Chairman Plantenberg at 8:00 pm. All stood for the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call: Present; John Merdan, Lowell Rushmeyer, Ken Mergen, Richard Bresnahan, Steve Plantenberg, Cliff Borgerding, Renee Smith. All present.

Minutes: Motion by Rushmeyer, seconded by Mergen, to approve the minutes of the last meeting. All in favor, motion carried.

The orderly annexation agreement should be in final form and ready to be signed at the Monday council meeting.

The board suggested we obtain a large highly visible map of the city and township area which could be signed by the officials and hung in the city hall. Rushmeyer will find out if we could obtain such a map through the county.

A joint powers board will now be formed. Two representatives from the township and two from the city will be chosen. Term will be for one year. Chairman of the supervisors and city mayor will be alternates. Motion by Mergen, seconded by Merdan to recommend Rushmeyer as a township rep. All in favor, motion carried.

Eric Linn was present to talk about the trailer park situation. Comment: Melrose has two trailer parks. One is much better than the other. What makes the difference, rules? Management?

Linn said about six weeks ago, there was a shed fire at the park. The remains have never been removed.

The fire department needs extra personnel to watch their equipment when they go there. Plantenberg wondered if the homes are owned or rented from the land lord.

The new joint powers board may be able to come up with some better standards.

Also, if one trailer must be removed and another brought in, the new one must be up to standards.

The board recommended that Igor Lenzner should be on the joint powers board to deal with legal issues in such situations.

Linn said that if there is a landlord, something can be done. Building codes, building inspectors could be put in place.

The county has an ordinance in place that deals with rental properties of all types.

However, the county cannot enter a home without the owner's permission.

Borgerding signed off on the following county permits:

2005-04-05 Jim and Marlene Dobmeier, 38455 Pelican Lake Road, Avon. Permit to construct a new home.

2005-06-03 Tony and Florentine Scepaniak, 18496 Red Maple Drive, Avon. Permit to construct a 26x28 foot residential accessory building.

2005-07-02 Victor Weiss, 37801 Cardinal Nest Court, Avon. Permit to construct a new home.

Township permits included;

2005-07-03 Rich and Brenda Sanoski, 34171 Smiley Drive, Albany. Permit to construct a 36x64x14 foot residential accessory building. Motion by Mergen, seconded by Merdan, to approve this township permit. all in favor, motion carried.

Driveway permits were issued for;

2005-07-01 Larry and Roxanne Melton, 33401 Shorewood Drive, Avon. Permit required because the access is off a township road.

2005-07-02 Victor C. Weiss, 37801 Cardinal Nest Court, Avon.

Motion by Rushmeyer, seconded by Merdan, to approve the above permits. All in favor, motioned carried.

Discussion began concerning sending someone out to follow up on variance permit compliance. Is it time to adjust fees? Should this person get extra wages? No decision at this time.

Township is still waiting for a reply from Lunser Surveying to survey 165th Avenue. No work will be done until the exact location of the road is found.

Board has received a complaint about the odors emitted by the P.S.I. plant in the city.

This could also be one of the concerns dealt with by the joint powers board.

The planning board has not completed the final draft of the subdivision ordinance. the board recommends that a moratorium on subdivisions in the township, until the ordinance is in place. Suggested time was six months. Lillemoens should also be included in such a moratorium.

motion by Mergen, seconded by Merdan, to adjourn.

Meeting adjourned at 9:45pm.