

Birch Run Planning Commission Meeting Minutes March 16, 2015

Meeting called to order at 7:00 pm by Nelson.

Commissioners Present: Morse, Norris, Parlberg, Schaar, Sheridan, Nelson, Marr

Commissioners Absent: None

Elections:

Chairperson: Norris

Vice- Chairperson: Schaar

Secretary: Nelson

All in Favor

Approval of meeting minutes of Dec 15, 2014 with a motion to approve by Marr seconded by Sheridan, with an addition of any new motion to be in writing by Marr and seconded by Sheridan (line46)

All approved.

Tiered site plan application process: Motion by Sheridan to approve policy for commercial building projects, consisting of three specific types of construction projects, as presented in policy for site plan reviews. In order to simplify the site plan process with reduced costs in any initial process through zoning administrator. Seconded by Marr

Approved: Morse, Marr, Parlberg, Norris, Sheridan, Schaar. Opposed Nelson.

Outdoor Entertainment:

Motion by Sheridan seconded by Marr to modify Section 14.19 modify C5 line to define off street parking to 50 % - approved by board

Motion by Norris to adopt resolution #01-2015 as amended and seconded by Schaar
- approved by board

Review of Master Plan – Discussion of Master Plan to update census of 2010 – Sheridan will take discussion highlights to the Township Board.

14.15 Artificial ponds – Discussion of reviewing the footprint of existing ponds. Board needs an interpretation to the possibility of an increase in size when cleaning out. Mike will bring paperwork in regards to existing ponds and possibility of increasing footprint. Expansion completed on Trinklein pond with no permits. Sheridan will take to Letterman.

Public Hearing: Motion by Sheridan seconded by Norris for a scheduled public hearing to be set June 15, 2015 for amendment # 01-2015.

Old Business: none

Reports: Township Board Representative- Sheridan gave update on special meetings
Zoning Board of Appeals Representative- Parlberg no meeting since last report

New Business: none

Announcements by Nelson

Adjournment motion by Sheridan to adjourn at 9:43 pm seconded by Morse.

Respectfully submitted,

Elaine Parlberg

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