

# Birch Run Township

## Planning Commission

### Minutes

Regular Meeting

26 Nov 2001

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#### Members Present

Jaime Trevino  
Bob Scharrer  
David Hinds (abs)  
Alan Hunter

Jeff Putnam  
James Totten  
Wyn Wilson

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Meeting called to order by Chairman Al Hunter at 7:00 PM. Township Treasurer Debbie Trevino acted as recording secretary.

Minutes of meeting of 24 Sep 2001 were read and approved.

Minutes of meeting of 10 Oct 2001 were read and approved.

Minutes of meeting of 29 Oct 2001 were read and approved.

Comments by Wyn Wilson on aged relative statement in minutes. He felt that clarification was needed.

Zoning Board of Appeals Response to Planning Commission Memo of 23 Jul 2001 requesting the classification of a land use called "Mini-storage Facilities". Members reviewed the response (each mbr provided with a copy) and were not able to determine if the ZBA had taken any definitive action. Members felt that the response was insufficient to allow the Planning Commission to take any further action at this time regarding Mini-storage Facilities.

Chairman Al Hunter asked for a volunteer to act as Planning Commission Secretary until the election of officers in January 2002. Jaime Trevino was appointed to the office by Chairman Hunter.

Discussion of proposed changes to the zoning ordinance:

Large Animals: Chairman Hunter presented a proposed new section regarding the keeping of large animals. Commission members reviewed the proposal and agreed that it was ready to go to a public hearing.

Ponds: A change regarding the wording about fences around small water bodies. This change was agreed to at a prior meeting and was now ready to go to a public hearing.

Mobile Home for aged relative. Chairman Hunter presented a proposed wording change to Section 1646 (10) (B) (2) to clarify the wording and intent of the section. After some discussion it was agreed that the proposed change was ready to go to a public hearing.

Comments by Chairman Hunter included the mentioning of a few proposed legislative actions being considered in Lansing.

Members were given a copy of the Smith Bovill letter signed by the Township Attorney regarding the real property located at 13275 S Block Rd. No action for the Planning Commission to take at this time.

Public Hearing for proposed zoning ordinance changes was scheduled for 14 Jan 2002 at 7 PM.

Public Comment: None. No members of the public were in the audience.

Next Meeting scheduled for Dec 5, 2001 at 7 PM. to continue Master Plan development.

Meeting adjourned at 8:00 PM.

Respectfully submitted:

  
Alan J Hunter  
Chairman

Approved:

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