

Birch Run Township

Planning Commission

Minutes

Regular Meeting

23 Jul 2001

Members Present

Jamie Trevino	
Bob Scharrer	Jeff Putnam (abs)
David Hinds (abs)	James Totten
Alan Hunter	Wyn Wilson (abs)

Meeting called to order by Chairman Al Hunter at 7:00 PM.

Minutes of meeting of 20 Apr 2001 were read and approved.

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

Chairman Al Hunter gave a report on the action the Board of Trustees took on the changes to the zoning ordinance recommended by the Planning Commission. Recommendations regarding minor water bodies were approved and those regarding mini-storage facilities were disapproved.

Brief discussion on requirements for keeping horses in the Township. Al Hunter will provide copies of BV Twp regulations on the subject to the members and decision will be made on whether to recommend changes to our ordinance at the next regular meeting.

Zoning Maps. Al Hunter showed the members the current copies of the Township zoning map. The maps will be colored and reduced in size for each member of the Planning Commission.

Master Plan. Chairman Al Hunter outlined the proposal from Rowe Incorporated to complete the Township's Master Plan for a fee of \$11,200.

Motion by Jamie Trevino: "to have Rowe Incorporated complete the Township Master Plan for 2nd by Bob Scharrer: a fee of \$11,200".

<u>Vote:</u>	Trevino	Yes	Scharrer	Yes
	Totten	Yes	Hunter	Yes

Chairman Al Hunter informed members of an inquiry received about establishing a retail business in an A-2 zoning district, near the RV Park on Gera Rd. No action considered at this time. Info will be forwarded to the Zoning Administrator and Supervisor.

Chairman Al Hunter pointed out that since the land use "mini-storage facilities" does not appear in the zoning ordinance, the Planning Commission must consider it an "unclassified use" and cannot act on any request for that use. Al Hunter proposed that a memo be forwarded to the Zoning Board of Appeals, requesting that the use be classified.

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Motion by James Totten: "forward a request to the Zoning Board of Appeals for classification
2nd by Bob Scharrer: of "mini-storage facilities."

Vote:	Totten	Yes	Scharrer	Yes
	Hunter	Yes	Trevino	Yes

Chairman Al Hunter agreed to forward the memo and advise the Supervisor of the memo.

A presentation was given by Andy Suski about the facility he would like to construct on his property on Birch Run Road. He understood that no action could be taken at this time by the Planning Commission, but still wanted to give the members and idea of what he has in mind.

Next Regular Meeting scheduled for Sep 24, 2001 at 7 PM.

Meeting adjourned at 8:27 PM.

Respectfully submitted:


Alan J Hunter
Chairman

Approved:

9-24-01