

**TALLMADGE CHARTER TOWNSHIP
PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING
JUNE 26, 2018**

7:00 p.m. Marvin Bennink called the meeting to order.

Members present: Marvin Bennink, Joel Terpstra, Curtis Rypma, David Hanco, and Matthew Fenske

Members absent: Curtis Rypma

Also present: Greg Ransford

Approval of Agenda

Joel Terpstra provided a motion to approve the agenda. David Hanco seconded the motion and was carried unanimously.

Approval of the Minutes

No Minutes were approved.

Non-Agenda Items

No Items were discussed.

New Business

- Text Amendments

A general discussion was had regarding the mining permit and the total amount allowed to be moved before applicants would have to apply for a mining permit.

Joel Terpstra questioned if that applies to builders who have a building permit.

Matthew Fenske stated that there is a need to have a set amount otherwise it will become an issue.

Curtis Rypma asked how other townships handle mining.

Marvin Bennink questioned if homeowners would be exempt if it's private use.

Joel Terpstra stated that the previous 2000 yards should be reduced to 300 yards.

Matthew Fenske stated that 300 yards is a reasonable amount.

Matthew Fenske provided a motion to recommend the Township Board for review. Joel Terpstra seconded the motion and was carried unanimously.

A general discussion was had regarding renewable energy which included; Wind Energy, Solar Energy and Biofuel.

Matthew Fenske stated that solar energy is becoming a popular source for energy with homes and businesses. He would like to have a further discussion regarding size and locations. He also stated that no wind turbines should be allowed in residential as stated in 16.A.4 considered in all zoning districts.

Joel Terpstra provided a motion to recommend a public hearing for article X Renewable Energy and Wind Energy. Matthew Fenske seconded the motion and was carried unanimously.

- Master Plan

The commission discussed the Master Plan regarding transportation and decided that they would like Greg Ransford to come back to the Commission with more language regarding this section.

Curtis Rypma provided a motion to request more information on the topic of Transportation in our Master Plan. Joel Terpstra seconded the motion and was carried unanimously.

Old Business

No old business was discussed.

Planning Commission Comment

No comments were made.

Adjournment

Matthew Fenske provided a motion to adjourn. Joel Terpstra seconded the motion and was carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted:

Val Schwallier
Administrative Assistant

