

FRENCHTOWN CHARTER TOWNSHIP
PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING
January 25, 2024

SIG Fred Z. Calkins
APPROVED

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m.

Roll call: Bill VanDaele Tim Stiff Don Abrams
 Brian Dotson Fred Calkins
 Chris Collins

Absent: Dennis Staelgraeve

Also present: James Jacobs, Jacobs Architects
 Dave Uhl, Economic Development/Public Safety Director
 Joe Calhoun-MAG Group for Masserant Project
 Justin Sprague, CIB Planning, Frenchtown Charter Township Planner

2 interested citizens in person.

Item No. 1 Call to Order.

A quorum being present, Mr. Don Abrams called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM. This meeting was held under the Open Meetings Act.

Item No. 2 Pledge of Allegiance.

Pledge of Allegiance was observed.

Item No. 3 Roll Call.

Mr. Dennis Staelgraeve had given notice he would not be able to attend. All other members were present.

Item No. 4 Election of Officers.

Motion

Moved By: Brian Dotson

Supported By: Tim Stiff

A Motion was made to have the existing officers remain in position for the 2024 Planning Commission year term. Dennis Staelgraeve, Chairperson, Don Abrahms, Vice-Chairman, Fred Calkins, Secretary and ZBA Liaison, Chris Collins Trustee/Township Board Liaison.

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Item No. 5 Approval of Agenda.

Motion

Moved By: Tim Stiff

Supported By: Brian Dotson

A Motion was made to approve the Agenda as presented.

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Item No. 6 Approval of Minutes December 21, 2023.

Motion

Moved By: Bill VanDaele

Supported By: Tim Stiff

A motion was made to approve the minutes for the December 21, 2023, Planning Commission meeting.

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Item No. 7 Public Comment on Non-Agenda Items Only.

Nothing for discussion.

Item No. 8 New Business.

- a. **Public Hearing - Special Land Use:** To hear and consider a request for Special Land Use for the expansion of an existing essential services facility by adding a 30,000 square foot indoor storage building, located at 6398 North Dixie. The Parcel number is 58-07-532-038-10 and the property is zoned Ag, Agricultural.

Motion

Moved By: Fred Caulkins

Supported By: Tim Stiff

A Motion was made to place on file Notice of Hearing, Affidavit of Mailing, Submittal Documents and Planner's report.

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The Township Planner Justin Sprague gave his review of the Special Land Use.

Mr. Jim Jacobs, James Jacobs Architects PLLC, represented the Special Land Use.

Motion

Moved By: Fred Calkins

Supported By: Tim Stiff

A Motion was made to open the Public Hearing at 7:21 pm.

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No Public comment.

Motion

Moved By: Tim Stiff

Supported By: Bill VanDaele

A Motion was made to open the Public Hearing at 7:22 pm.

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Members discussed.

No further discussion.

Motion

A Motion was made to approve the Special Land Use for the expansion of an existing essential services facility by adding a 30,000 square foot indoor storage building, located at 6398 North Dixie, Parcel ID 58-07-532-038-10 zoned Ag, Agricultural, with the conditions of the Township Planners report being met, the applicant will obtain a Final Site Plan Approval for site, the use will be Essential Services only, and there will be no housing units of any nature allowed.

Roll Call: VanDaele - Y
Dotson - Y

Calkins - Y
Stiff - Y

Collins- Y
Abrams- Y

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b. Old Business

Approval of Planning Commission Meeting dates.

Motion

Moved By: Tim Stiff

Supported By: Brian Dotson

A Motion was made to approve Planning Commission meeting dates for the Third Thursday of each month for 2024.

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c. Public Comment on Non-Agenda Items

No Public Comment.

- 1) Administrative Review Update- Nothing
- 2) Township Board Report- Chris Collins Spoke
- 3) ZBA Report- No meetings to report
- 4) Next Planning Commission Agenda – February 15, 2024

d. Adjournment

Motion

Moved By: Chris Collins

Supported By: Brian Dotson

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting at 7:28 p.m.

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