

Escanaba Township Zoning and Planning
July 6, 2017

The regular meeting of the Escanaba Township Zoning and Planning Commission was called to order by Jack Penegor at 7:30 P.M. The Pledge of Allegiance was lead by Jack Penegor.

Roll Call: Jack Penegor, Rene Lippens, Ray Hughes and Ann LaBumbard were present. Cliff Barron was excused.

Approval of the minutes: Motion was made by Rene Lippens and Seconded by Ray Hughes. Approved by all.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION: Robert Barron requested his business be put under old business as it pertains to the vote at the last meeting. The request of the zoning change referring to Section 400 and 511. Motion made by Ann LaBumbard and seconded by Rene Lippens. Approved by all.

ZONING ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT:

Zoning Permits: to Fred Hueft, Cheryl Schorr and Jerry Borchert. All approved.

Blight Report: Sampson will by brought to the Escanaba Township Board.

Board Meeting Update: Barron Track was denied. Bichler's Blasting and processing complaint. New house number signs for homes. Looking in to the signs and someone putting them up.

NEW BUSINESS: Bichler noise. Kim Ingram brought up that hours of operation are 7am to 6pm, according to use permits. Also stated the since Al Gareau spoke to them, Bichlers is now starting at 7am. Other concerns were the Blasting and crushers running are causing damage to homes and the noise is to loud. Tom Brayak gave a seismograph with the readings done at N. 75 8838 on 6-9-2017. And N. 75 8868 (per residence request) on 6-14-2017 they were within the acceptable range to standards from the government. Kim Ingram also stated the concerns of broken window seals, cracks in foundations and the dust. Jack Penegor is going to check into what can be cone about the conditions.

OLD BUSINESS: CUPPAD: Population update. Population has dropped by 136 people in the last 15 years. The biggest change is there are a lot more 2 person homes now. There is much in additions to the township, the biggest thing is the new fire hall. Transportation has not had much change the same with recreation. A copy of the township map in the new size was thought to be much better.

66' easement: Jack Penegor sent the lawyer a letter. The letter received back from the lawyer doesn't answer the questions we have on the 66' easement. Jack Penegor is going to do some more checking to see If he can get an answer to the question. Bo Lafave has said there are a lot of grants out there for the townships for things like wider the roads. CUPPAD has people sho can help the township with grant writing.

Barron's rezoning of property 007-129-034-00-403d. Mr. Barron Felt that the Zoning ordinance sec 400 and 511 did not apply to him property. Mr. Barron wanted the board to revote based on the ordinance not applying. The board read the ordinance to the public. The board does feel that the section 400 does apply to the property because there are not 2 properties. There for will not be approved for rezoning. Jack Penegor stated property will never be able to be rezoned with the ordinances as they are.

Public Comment: there was none.

Adjourned at 8:50 p.m. motion made by Rene Lippens, seconded by Ray Hughes. Approved by all. Next meeting August 7th, 2017. 7:30 p.m.