BROOKS TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING
May 22, 2017
APPROVED

MEMBERS PRESENT:  Pat Baker, Phil Knappe, Mark Pitzer, Cheryl Rosen, Ryan Schultz, Matt Arthur, Danielle Hummel

MEMBERS ABSENT:  None

STAFF PRESENT:  Zoning Official Joe Selzer

Chairman Pitzer called the regular meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.  This meeting was properly posted and a quorum of the Brooks Township Planning Commission was present.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

Moved by Knappe, Seconded by Arthur to accept the agenda with the addition of the height of home occupation signs under new business.
Approved Unanimously

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Moved by Schultz, Seconded by Rosen to accept the minutes of the April 24, 2017 meeting as written.
Approved Unanimously

PUBLIC COMMENT:  None

CORRESPONDENCE:  None

PUBLIC HEARING:  Moved by Baker, Seconded by Knappe to suspend the regular meeting and enter into a public hearing.
Approved Unanimously

1. Special Land Use Permit for Verizon cell tower – Chairman Pitzer indicated that written notices were not mailed in the proper time frame for the April meeting, so they were sent in a timely manner and the hearing was also republished for tonight.  No comments received from the public.  No written comments were received.  The documents were updated with today’s date.

Moved by Rosen, Seconded by Hummel to close the public hearing and re-open the regular meeting.
Approved Unanimously
UNFINISHED BUSINESS:
1. Greenbelt area for Lake – Cliff Bloom, the township attorney sent a letter in regards to language changes. Supervisor Nelson, Pitzer, and Selzer did meet two weeks ago to go over this letter. There were concerns about diseased and damaged trees and allowing mowing to the water’s edge.
   Moved by Schultz, Seconded by Hummel to remove the greenbelt from the ordinance.
   Approved Unanimously

2. Brooks/Croton PC Medical Marijuana – Nothing has been communicated to us yet. This will remain on the agenda for next month.
3. Mobile Food Vendor Language – the language received from attorney Bloom was presented. There were questions in regards to the locations and the time restriction from Memorial through Labor Day. Allowing 12 permits was also discussed.
   Moved by Schultz, Seconded by Rosen to approve with the removal of 1d, 4a and 5b.
   Approved Unanimously

NEW BUSINESS:
1. Height of home occupation signs – Selzer noticed there was not a height restriction on home occupation signs. All others have between 4 and 6 foot. Moved by Arthur, Seconded by Knape to approve the height restriction of 5 feet. Approved Unanimously.

STAFF UPDATE: The ZA passed out information in regards to solar panels and arrays. He received a phone call in regards to someone obtaining 20-30 acres to set up an array. Attorney Bloom also had a memo on some proposed new language items for the ordinance. Baker questioned where they came from. Pitzer indicated they were just informational at this time. They pertain to Sec 3.28, 3.29 and Article 23. They will be on the agenda next month for discussion.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None.

PLANNING COMMISSION MEMBER COMMENTS: Comments received.

ADJOURNMENT: Moved by Hummel, Seconded by Knape to adjourn the meeting at 8:39 p.m.
   Approved Unanimously

Respectfully Submitted,

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Pat Baker                               Jennifer Badgero