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# BALDWIN TOWNSHIP

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30239 128<sup>th</sup> Street, Princeton MN 55371

## **PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING**

**October 26, 2016**

### **Call to Order:**

On this 26<sup>th</sup> day of October 2016 the Regular Monthly Meeting of the Baldwin Planning Commission was called to order by Chairman Bryan Lawrence at 7:03 p.m.

### **Pledge of Allegiance:**

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

### **Roll Call:**

Commissioners present were Bryan Lawrence, Rich Harris, Deborah Guy, Richard Marshall and Kimberly Good. Also present was Liaison Larry Handshoe. The sign in sheet is attached. The Claim Forms were filled out and returned.

### **Approve/Disapprove Agenda:**

*A motion was made by Commissioner Good to approve the regular meeting agenda which was seconded by Commissioner Marshall; all in favor; motion carried.*

### **Secretary's Report:**

#### **Planning Commission Meeting Minutes of 28.September.16:**

*A motion was made by Commissioner Good to approve the Planning Commission meeting minutes of September 28, 2016 which was seconded by Commissioner Guy; all in favor; motion carried.*

#### **Handout Planning Commission Meeting Minutes of April 27, 2016:**

None.

### **Interview Prospective Planning Commission Member:**

Interviewed was Scottie Harder of 130<sup>th</sup> Street who has lived in the Princeton / Baldwin Township area for over 18 years. Explaining why he would like to serve on the Planning Commission he said that he wishes to be more involved in the community that he lives in especially in the growth side of the township. *A motion was made by Commissioner Marshall to recommend to the township board to approve Scottie Harder to the Baldwin Township Planning Commission which was seconded by Commissioner Good; all in favor; motion carried.*

**Land Use Requests:**

**Georgetown Second Addition; Self Storage Building; Don Gedatus:**

Chairman Lawrence read the letter dated October 11, 2016 from the Sherburne County Planning and Zoning Administration regarding an Application Needed for Stormwater and Erosion Control Permit on PID 01-455-0110 located in Georgetown Second Addition. The letter states that Baldwin Township has 'drainage authority over platted developments', therefore before Sherburne County can issue a permit approval must be obtained from the Township for the proposed grading plan. There was discussion regarding the lack of a copy of a drainage ordinance in Baldwin Township to factor decisions on, and the clerk was directed to research for a document and/or approval of such ordinance in the minutes of Baldwin Township. *A motion was made by Commissioner Good to recommend approval to the grading plan subject to the township engineer's approval which was seconded by Commissioner Guy; with a voice vote taken with Commissioner Good, Commissioner Guy, Commissioner Marshall and Commissioner Lawrence in favor; Commissioner Harris opposed; motion carried.*

**Railside; Manufacturing Building; Ted Bell:**

Chairman Lawrence read the letter dated October 11, 2016 from the Sherburne County Planning and Zoning Administration regarding an Application Needed for Stormwater and Erosion Control Permit on PID 01-459-0135 requesting a new 60' x 120' fabrication and office building on Lot 7, Block 1 Railside subdivision in Baldwin Township. The letter states that Baldwin Township has 'drainage authority over platted developments', therefore before Sherburne County can issue a permit approval must be obtained from the Township for the proposed grading plan. With no drainage plan to review, *a motion was made by Commissioner Good to recommend approval to the grading plan subject to the township engineer's approval which was seconded by Commissioner Marshall; with a voice vote taken with Commissioner Good, Commissioner Guy, Commissioner Marshall and Commissioner Lawrence in favor; Commissioner Harris opposed; motion carried.*

**Communications:**

None.

**Old Business:**

None.

**New Business:**

**Discuss Resolution No. 16-18; Resolution Electing to be More Stringent than Sherburne County on County Ordinance 18.0:**

There was extensive discussion regarding Resolution No. 16-18; a Resolution Electing to be More Stringent than Sherburne County on County Ordinance 18.0 which involves land application of solid waste. The objective of Resolution No. 16-18 was to ensure that the solid waste being distributed by the US Distillery did not run-off into the ditches but was maintained on the property being treated. *A motion was made by Commissioner Harris to recommend to the township board to approve holding a public hearing regarding Resolution No. 16-18 which was seconded by Commissioner Good; all in favor; motion carried.*

*A motion was made by Commissioner Marshall to recommend to the township board to approve a water and soil testing to determine if there is a detrimental problem by applying the solid waste from the US Distillery onto the property which was seconded by Commissioner Good; all in favor; motion carried.*

*A motion was made by Commissioner Good to recommend to the township board to contact the MPCA or pollution control about the possible effects of the solid waste be used on the described property. Motion withdrawn.*

**Building Permit; Deer Path Second Addition; Information:**

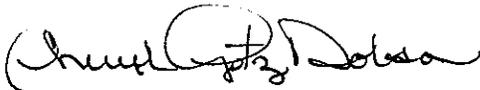
A building permit issued for Deer Path Second Addition was distributed for review.

**Commissioners Corner:**

Commissioners Guy and Good attended a GTS workshop on Shoreland and Floodplain. Commissioner Good said it was really informative. Copies of a 'Formula for Variance Findings' will be available as a document to help local governments make good variance decisions.

**Adjourn:**

*A motion was made by Commissioner Harris which was seconded by Commissioner Marshall to adjourn at 8:37 p.m. with the next Planning Commission meeting to be held on November 30, 2016. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned.*



Respectfully submitted:  
Cheryl Goetz Dobson  
Deputy Clerk



Bryan Lawrence, Chairman

11/30/16  
Date

Amendments: \_\_\_\_\_