

**PUTNAM TOWNSHIP  
PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING  
June 14, 2017  
MINUTES**

**CALL TO ORDER**

Chairperson Lomber called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. There were 3 citizens in attendance.

**ROLL CALL**

MEMBERS PRESENT: Porath, Lomber, Gannon, Klein, Hood and Beemer.

MEMBERS ABSENT: Ligon with notice.

OTHERS PRESENT: Brian Borden, Senior LSL Planner, Ken Damrel, Township Zoning Administrator, Jennifer Koch, Township Fire Marshall, and Pamela Kekes, Recording Secretary.

**CALL TO THE PUBLIC**

Opened at 7:01 p.m.

Ron Rau, 4798 Spears, speaking on behalf of himself, his mother and Ivan Green, is against the idea of not opening the Master Plan.

Closed at 7:03 p.m.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

**Motion by Porath and supported by Beemer to approve the agenda as presented. MOTION CARRIED.**

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**Motion by Porath and supported by Beemer to approve the 5/10/17 minutes as presented. MOTION CARRIED.**

**CORRESPONDENCE**

Huron River Watershed Council is offering Green Infrastructure Visioning Sessions for communities in the Huron River watershed. Township Supervisor suggested that their presentation be at July's Planning Commission. Everyone agreed.

**PLANNER'S REPORT** – Nothing to report.

**ZONING BOARD of APPEALS REPORT** – Gannon reported on the May 22, 2017, meeting and said there is an upcoming ZBA meeting on June 26, 2017.

**TOWNSHIP BOARD REPORT** - Klein reported on the Regular May 17, 2017, and May 24, 2017, Special Budget Township Board Meetings.

**LAND DIVISION REPORT** – Nothing.

**ZONING ADMINISTRATOR'S ORDINANCE ISSUE LIST** – Damrel presented his report, which was included in Commissioners' packets.

**FIRE MARSHALL REPORT** – Art in the Park went very well.

## PUBLIC HEARING

- A. Chapter 340 Zoning, Article III-General Provisions, Section 340-32 Nonconforming lots, uses or structures.
  1. Borden presented the final draft with changes that should resolve some of those limitations of nonconforming lots in A-O, RR and RS Districts.
  2. **Motion by Porath and supported by Gannon to open Public Hearing at 7:24p.m.**
  3. No response
  4. **Motion by Porath and supported by Hood to close Public Hearing at 7:25p.m.**
  5. **Motion by Lomber and supported by Klein to recommend to the Township Board approval of proposed amendments to Chapter 340 Zoning, Article III-General Provisions, Section 340-32 Nonconforming lots, uses or structures. MOTION CARRIED,**

## OLD BUSINESS

- A. Master Plan Discussion
  1. Borden presented a prepared Resolution of Affirmation of Putnam Township Master Plan as Being Current which would comply with State requirements.
  2. **Motion by Lomber and supported by Porath to accept the Resolution of Affirmation of Putnam Township Master Plan as Being Current. MOTION CARRIED 5-1.**
- B. Discussion of draft language for temporary tents for outdoor entertainment & for outdoor gatherings.
  1. Borden had not met/talked to Koch and Damier and plans to by next meeting.
  2. Review of 340-138 Restaurants, taverns and other places serving food or beverages that provide dancing and entertainment with suggested edits. There needs to identify a process for outdoor gatherings under 750 people. Outdoor gatherings falls under General Law and that the Township Board only has the authority to make changes to General Laws.
  3. **Motion by Beemer and supported by Klein to schedule a Public Hearing at the next meeting for review of proposed changes to Section 340-138 Restaurants, taverns and other places serving food or beverages that provide dancing and entertainment. MOTION CARRIED.**

## NEW BUSINESS - None

## CALL TO THE PUBLIC

Opened at 7:56 p.m.

Ron Rau, 4798 Spears, spoke about his request on behalf of Ivan Green and his family parcels.

Closed at 8:02 p.m.

## ADJOURNMENT

**Motion by Porath and supported by Beemer to adjourn at 8:03 p.m. MOTION CARRIED.**

**Pamela Kekes  
Recording Secretary**