

**HANDY TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING OF
AUGUST 24, 2017**

The regular Handy Township Planning Commission meeting was called to order by Chairman Hummel at 7:30 p.m. in the Handy Township Board Room. Members Present: Eisele, Elliott, Redinger. Absent: Krebs. Also Present: Township Attorney Kehoe, Supervisor Alverson, Zoning Administrator Call and resident Nancy VanGilder.

Approval of Agenda:

MOTION REDINGER SUPPORT ELLIOTT TO APPROVE THE AGENDA AS PRESENTED. MOTION CARRIED.

Open Public Hearing:

Amendment to Zoning Text, Chapter 11,
"I-1 prime Industrial District, Section 11.2, Permitted Uses,"
Subsection H: Billboards
7:30 p.m.

**MOTION ELLIOTT SUPPORT REDINGER TO GO OUT OF REGULAR BUSINESS SESSION AND OPEN PUBLIC HEARING FOR COMMENTS ON ZONING TEXT AMENDMENT, CHAPTER 11, I-1 PRIME INDUSTRIAL DISTRICT, SECTION 11.2, PERMITTED USES, SUBSECTION H: BILLBOARDS, AT 7:31 P.M.
MOTION CARRIED.**

Public input commenced on billboards. The following questions/concerns were discussed:

- How long will the approval for billboards be in effect once issued
- How close should billboards be to a residence
- Concerns about the future use of a property with or without REU's attached
- The distance between billboards on a property
- Allowing billboards in the AC District (Ancillary Commercial)
- Changing the wording in the ordinance to allow billboards as an accessory use rather than the principal use

MOTION ELLIOTT SUPPORT EISELE TO CLOSE THE PUBLIC HEARING FOR ZONING TEXT AMENDMENT, CHAPTER 11, I-1 PRIME INDUSTRIAL DISTRICT, SECTION 11.2, PERMITTED USES, SUBSECTION H: BILLBOARDS AT 8:12 P.M. AND RETURN BACK TO REGULAR BUSINESS SESSION. MOTION CARRIED.

Matters Pertaining to the General Citizenry:

1. Business Session
 - a. Handy Township Regular Planning Commission Meeting Minutes of 7-20-17

MOTION ELLIOTT SUPPORT REDINGER TO ACCEPT THE MINUTES OF JULY 20, 2017 REGULAR MEETING AS PRESENTED. MOTION CARRIED.

2. Old Business: None.
3. New Business:
 - a. Zoning Amendment, "I-1 Prime Industrial", Subsection H: Billboards

MOTION EISELE SUPPORT ELLIOTT TO RECOMMEND ADOPTION OF ZONING AMENDMENT #2017-6, I-1 PRIME INDUSTRIAL DISTRICT, SECTION 11.2, PERMITTED USES, SUBSECTION H: BILLBOARDS, AND BASED UPON INPUT FROM THE PUBLIC AT THE PUBLIC HEARING TO ALSO CHANGE BILLBOARDS TO AN ACCESSORY USE FROM A PRINCIPAL USE, TO SEND TO LIVINGSTON COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION FOR REVIEW AND COMMENTS, AND TO RECOMMEND APPROVAL TO THE TOWNSHIP BOARD. MOTION CARRIED.

4. Points of Discussion:

a. Handy Township Sidewalk Ordinance & Sidewalk Plan

Zoning Administrator Call reported the Township Board is requesting the Planning Commission to review the Sidewalk Ordinance & Plan for updates. Review will commence at the October 2017 regular meeting.

5. Communications: Eisele handed out conference materials for anyone interested in attending.

6. Reports: None.

7. Call to the Public: No comments from the public.

MOTION ELLIOTT SUPPORT EISELE TO ADJOURN THE MEETING AT 8:20 P.M. MOTION CARRIED.

Respectfully Submitted,

Cathryn R. Brigham, Recording Secretary