

Vassar Planning Commission Regular Meeting February 11, 2021 (Virtual)

7:00pm Open meeting, forgoing pledge

Roll Call: Devin Foether (Chair) – Present (calling from Vassar Twp., Tuscola Co.)

Troy Eurich (Co- Chair) – Present (calling from Vassar Twp., Tuscola Co.)

Shaun McDonnell – Present (calling from Vassar Twp., Tuscola Co.)

Orville Hartung – Present (calling from Vassar Twp., Tuscola Co.)

Ben Partridge – Present (calling from Vassar Twp., Tuscola Co.)

Nicole Tenney (Secretary) – Present (calling from Vassar Twp., Tuscola Co.)

Sam Tester – Excused

No Zoning Administrators Report to review.

7:04pm Vote on Officers (held over from October). Devin motions. Ben seconds.

Roll Call Vote was taken:

Troy- yes

Orville - yes

Shaun- yes

Ben- yes

Devin – yes

Nicole – yes

Sam- excused

Motion passes 6-0-1

7:06pm Open Public Hearing for MMFLA Special Land Use Permit for High Mountain LLC.

Nancy states there have been no complaints against them.

There are no public comments.

7:08pm open commenting is closed.

Open Planning Commission Discussion.

Allen Franks is present, representing High Mountain LLC.

Troy: Is this operational?

Mr. Franks: Yes, we are.

Orville: No questions if there have been no changes.

Nicole: No Questions.

Shaun: Grower License Renewal will be in June? It says here it is to expire at that time, will it be renewed? Also I see there was an addition of an interior door?

Mr. Franks: Yes, we will be renewing before June. Also the door was added per Fire Marshalls request.

Ben: Has that addition been added to the site plans?

Devin: that change has been made to the plan.

Devin motions to approve, Shaun seconds.

Roll Call Vote was taken:

Troy- yes

Orville - yes

Shaun- yes

Ben- yes

Devin – yes

Nicole – yes

Sam- excused

Motion passes 6-0-1

Devin informs Mr. Franks all necessary paperwork will be notarized and available at the township hall the following Monday.

7:17pm Revisit Agenda item 3, reviewing January 14 minutes.

Devin motions to accept with 2 changes, Orville seconds.

Roll Call Vote was taken:

Troy- yes

Orville - yes

Shaun- yes

Ben- yes

Devin – yes

Nicole – yes

Sam- excused

Motion passes 6-0-1

7:22pm Review February 4 Special Meeting Minutes.

Orville points out location needs to be added to Officers in Roll Call.

Devin motions to accept with correction, Shaun seconds.

Roll Call Vote was taken:

Troy- yes

Orville - yes

Shaun- yes

Ben- yes

Devin – yes

Nicole – yes

Sam- excused

Motion passes 6-0-1

7:26pm Receive and Set Public Hearing date for Vassar Lifeline Victory Center rezoning.

Devin motions to set Special Meeting for March 4 at 6pm. Shaun seconds.

Roll Call Vote was taken:

Troy- yes

Orville - yes

Shaun- yes

Ben- yes

Devin – yes

Nicole – yes

Sam- excused

Motion passes 6-0-1

7:32pm Receive and Set Public Hearing date for DD & MH LLC rezoning.

Devin motions to hold meeting on March 4 at 6pm, Shaun seconds.

Roll Call Vote was taken:

Troy- yes

Orville - yes

Shaun- yes

Ben- Abstains

Devin – yes

Nicole – yes

Sam- excused

Motion passes 5-0-1 abstained – 1 excused

7:34pm Set Public Hearing date for Eric Aguilar rezoning.

Devin motions to hold meeting on March 4 at 6pm, Ben seconds.

Roll Call Vote was taken:

Troy- yes

Orville - yes

Shaun- yes

Ben- yes

Devin – yes

Nicole – yes

Sam- excused

Motion passes 6-0-1

7:36pm Devin motions to add agenda item 11a to address, Ben seconds.

Roll Call Vote was taken:

Troy- yes

Orville - yes

Shaun- yes

Ben- yes

Devin – yes

Nicole – yes

Sam- excused

Motion passes 6-0-1

Shaun dropped from meeting at 7:38pm.

Shaun rejoined at 7:39pm.

Devin: This property is already zoned as commercial, he wants to rezone/update to AFR. After our meeting it would go before the Tuscola County Planning Commission for approval.

Devin motions to remove Public Hearing for Eric Aguilar rezoning and add a Zoning Amendment Articles 8+, Shaun seconds.

Roll Call Vote was taken:

Troy- yes

Orville - yes

Shaun- yes

Ben- yes

Devin – yes

Nicole – yes

Sam- excused

Motion passes 6-0-1

Notice will be posted in the newspaper.

7:54pm Begin meeting with Rowe PSC to begin Master Plan revision process.

Corey Christensen is presenting “kick off power point”, J. Douglas Piggott is also present (virtual). We should be finished with revisions by this time next year. Public engagement will come in April/May, all scheduling is contingent on COVID-19 precautions, but tentative plans are scheduled moving forward.

Planning Commission comments:

Proud

Devin: Natural resources, state land, river access, Vassar Township Park, intergovernmental relationships

Shaun: Proud of our commissions professionalism

Bruce: Our small town feel

Sorries

Devin: ability to enforce existing ordinances

Shaun: more time to dedicate to the townships needs outside of Marihuana operations.

Troy: ability to focus on our community and needs of the hall, the ability to host community and business outreach at the hall.

8:36pm Devin opens Public Comment.

Ben inquires about Dollar General site plans.

Devin: the site plans were emailed to all committee members, it is a right of use plan, so there is no need for public hearing.

Committee discusses online trainings.

Devin motions to adjourn meeting, Shaun seconds.

Roll Call Vote was taken:

Troy- yes

Orville - yes

Shaun- yes

Ben- yes

Devin – yes

Nicole – yes

Sam- excused

Motion passes 6-0-1

Meeting adjourned at 8:50pm.

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Nicole E. Tenney

Vassar Township Planning Commission Secretary

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