

Vassar Township Planning Commission

Special Meeting – April 3, 2025

Call To Order:

Pledge of Allegiance:

Roll Call:

Orville Hartung – Absent

Todd Aymer – Present

Sam Tester – Present

Devin Foether (Chairperson) – Present

Monica Whitburn (Secretary) – Present

Bob Reil (Co-Chair) – Present

Ben Partridge (Board Representative) – Excused Absent

Motion by Reil to table sledding hill bids till next regular meeting, seconded by Foether

(5) Ayes

(0) Nays

(2) Absent

Motion Carried

Continued Zoning Ordinance Review with ROWE:

Page 12/13: Structural changes made to articles 3 and 4

Page 14: Tiny Houses – does the board want to include this in zoning ordinance?

-Has not been discussed by board, tabled till discussion is had

Page 17: Outdoor storage in industrial uses – SLU for both commercial and industrial

Page 17/18: Accessory Structures and Uses – show of hands to allow for all zones but MHP due to state regulations

Page 19: Hours of Operation – similar to event barn – remove weeks and time for year for both Agricultural Tourism or Agribusiness and Event Barns

Page 22: leave design standard for parks blank

Page 31: added design standards for banks to be compliant with design standards for drive-throughs

Page 40: added design standards for restaurants

Page 42: added design standards for Laboratories

Page 43: added design standards for Manufacturing and Warehousing, Storage, or Wholesale Facilities

Page 49: added design standards for Accessory Structures and Uses

Page 69/70/71: Removed Section 7.08 regarding Signs

Page 83: delete "not permitted"

Page 85: MDR should be changed to RM

Page 94: Change spelling to "Marijuana" to be continued throughout ordinances

Page 104: added nonconformities

Page 113: in section 10.05, added "E" to refer back to general provisions as to not repeat what is in marijuana ordinance

Page 113: Section 10.07, ZBA determines abandonment

Page 129: added the marijuana regulatory agency

Motion by Reil to amend it to 900 sq feet, with standard building construction code, heating living space

Motion Dies Due to Lack of Second

Tiny homes to be talked about at next regular meeting

Parks and Recreation Requests:

Motion made by Aymer to recommend approval of \$4,831 for four events, seconded by Foether

(5) Ayes

(0) Nays

(2) Absent

Motion Carried

Motion made by Foether to recommend approval of purchase of a woodchipper for the Municipal Maintenance person for \$1,868.00 for Township use, seconded by Reil

(5) Ayes

(0) Nays

(2) Absent

Motion Carried

Chairperson to request Board of Trustees to split cost of woodchipper with parks and recreation

Public Comment:

Deb Pounds asks if anyone knows how much ROWE is being paid per hour

Adjourn Meeting:

Motion by Foether to adjourn the meeting at 7:51pm, seconded by Reil

(5) Ayes

(0) Nays

(2) Absent

Motion Carried

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Monica Whitburn
Secretary