

**MINUTES**  
**GOLDEN TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION**  
**June 30, 2015**

Meeting called to order at 7:40 P.M. by Chairperson Fong, Pledge of Allegiance recited.

Roll Call: Present; Fong, Wilson, Terry, Hosner, Cook, and Zoning Administrator Assist. Whelpley. Absent: Fuehring, Coker, Mitteer, Whitney, Zoning Administrator Draper.

Agenda: Accepted as presented.

Minutes of the May 26, 2015 approval was postponed until the next meeting due to unavailability.

New Business: Public hearing for Open Hearth Restaurant PUD major Modification to add a deck for outside service.

Chairman Fong opened the public hearing.

Applicant explained the project as an 11'x22' deck with a 42" high fence required by the Liquor Control Commission. It will have six tables to serve customers.

Whelpley recommended approval as it was within the scope of the existing PUD.

There was no written or oral comments Pro or Con.

Fong closed the public hearing.

Deliberation: Cook commented that the existing fire exit would be used for access to the deck and may cause a problem with the fence if it didn't have a gate. The applicant stated that they had found that also and were going to put a gate in the fence.

Motion by Wilson to approve the site plan as presented, supported by Hosner. All Ayes motion carried.

Motion by Wilson to recommend to the township board to approve the Major Modification to the Gateway Plaza PUD to add an 11'x22'deck with a 42" high fence to the open Hearth Restaurant. All ayes motion carried.

Old Business: None

Amendments: Public Hearing for adding Mini Storage Units as a Special Use to the Agricultural Residential Zoning District.

Chairman Fong opened the public hearing.

Whelpley explained that several years ago the Planning Commission had determined the Mini Storage Units were a similar Special Use to grain storage in the Agricultural Residential. To date two Special uses have been approved. It is time to amend the Ordinance to add them.

There were no written or oral comments Pro or Con.

Fong closed the public hearing.

Motion by Terry to recommend to the township board to approve amending the Ordinance to add Mini Storage Units as a Special Use in the Agricultural Residential Zoning District, supported by Cook.

Public Comment: Cook thinks the planning Commission should recommend to the township board to look into a full time enforcement officer to spend more time on zoning enforcement and the problem with people buying cottages strictly for rental business. There was discussion about these and other problems a Silver Lake. No decision was reached.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:45 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Jake Whelpley  
Acting Secretary