MINUTES GOLDEN TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION March 27th, 2018

Meeting called to order at 7:37 P.M. by Chairperson Cook, Pledge of Allegiance recited.

Roll Call: Present; Fong, Walsworth, Coker, Borst, Cook, Terryn, Zoning Administrator Draper, and Attorney McNeely, Absent: Whelpley

Agenda: Draper asked to Silver Lake Amusement site plan to old business, all other as is. Motion by Fong to except Agenda with change, 2nd by Borst. All AYE

Minutes of the February 27th, 2018 accepted as written. Motion by Walsworth, 2nd Fong. All AYE.

Correspondence: Non pro or con.

Zoning Report: Draper explained that the Twp. had 20 zoning permits to date, the letter sent out by the township board to people not complying with the rental ordinance was working to a degree and that the permit number is up to 132. He explained that calls and pictures had come in complaining of junk in places of the township that looked terrible. He explained to the people that the Planning Commission is working on a Dangerous Building and Blight Ordinance. He also said that he had talked to Mr. Wadel about the exits and entrances on Taylor and Mr. Wadel told him that they had no plan to use Taylor Rd. this year but they wanted to get started working on it in the summer and would let Draper know when he met with the road commission.

New Business: Golden Township Master plan Update introduction to West Michigan Shoreline Regional Development Commission, Mr. Stephan Carlson.

Carlson explained that the process would take approximately 8 to 12 months to complete and that the first thing to do was figure out the best way to get the public involved. Fong added that the PC. Board needs to encourage the township people to get involved. Cook asked about group meetings.

Carlson: Should get a survey out to the public and the board has to find the best way to do that.

Coker said that WMSRDC is getting paid and that they should lead in this.

The board decided to make a committee to look into the best ways of notifying the public.

The committee is made up of Whelpley, Cook, Borst, Draper, and possibly the public at a later date.

Old Business: Silver Lake Amusement Professional prints

Owner Judy Schmidt brought in the professional prints that were requested by the Planning Commission at the original site plan meeting. After looking at the new prints the PC. Board had concerns about the parking and after deliberation it was decided that Draper would meet the owners at the site and make sure they had enough parking spaces for the miniature golf course.

A motion was made by Coker to except the site plan contingent on the parking meeting requirements. Terryn 2nd the motion. ALL AYE.

Ordinance Amendment and reports:

1. Solar Ordinance committee report: It was noted that everything is a go to put a public notice in the paper to hold a public meeting to add a Solar Ordinance to the Golden Township Zoning Ordinances. The motion was made at the February Planning Commission meeting. Draper will send the advertisement in fifteen days before the April PC. Meeting.

2. Fines Committee report: Fong said there was nothing more to report at this time and that the township attorney has to look at what has been done so far.

3. Dangerous buildings Committee report: Cook explained to the public that the PC. Board is working on this report including blight and that it will take considerable time to research and develop an ordinance.

Public comment: Dave Swartz asked if it was possible to add two of his cottages to his Special Use permit on his hotel and the board advised to look at possible rezoning when the township does the Master Plan update.