

**GOLDEN TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
February 23, 2021**

Meeting called to order at 7:30 P.M. by Z.A. Draper, Pledge of Allegiance recited.

Roll Call: Present; Beaudoin, Rapa, Terryn, Coker, Kramer, Kolenda, Whelpley, Ed McNeely Attorney and Zoning Administrator Draper. Absent: None Members of the public: 1 Rapa and Beaudoin attended via Zoom.

Election of Chairman: Kolenda nominated Chad Coker for Chair, supported by Whelpley. No further nominations were offered. Roll Call vote all ayes, no nays Coker elected. Coker took over the meeting.

Agenda: Motion by Whelpley to approve the agenda as presented. Supported by Terryn, voice vote, all ayes, motion carried.

Minutes: Motion by Beaudoin to approve the October 27, 2020 minutes as presented. Supported by Kramer, voice vote, 6 ayes, Kolenda abstained as he wasn't present for that meeting, motion carried.

Correspondence: Letter read from Silver Lake Property Owners group about RV's being used for rentals on private residential lots. Letter attached.

Zoning Administrator Report: 9 permits issued to date, 4 are new dwellings. 110 rental permits with more coming in. Working with District #10 Health dept. on two issues and rentals.

New Business:

- a. Election of Officers: Kolenda nominated Kramer for Vice Chair, supported by Rapa. No further nominations were offered. Roll call vote all ayes, no nays. Kramer is elected Vice Chair. Kolenda nominated Whelpley for Secretary, supported by Kramer. No further nominations were offered. Roll call vote, all ayes, no nays. Whelpley elected Secretary.

Old Business:

- a. Dune Scooters, Inc Site Plan Review: This is an amendment to an existing approved site plan to remove an existing accessory building and add two new accessory buildings. Site plan review checklist has been included with necessary information. Draper has reviewed the plan for Ordinance compliance. Rapa asked as this is a corner lot which of the other two lot lines are the rear and side. The Ordinance gives the Planning Commission discretion of choice. Consensus was the 50-foot setback was the rear and the 19-foot setback was the side. Motion by Kolenda to approve this Dune Scooters, Inc. Site Plan amendment to remove one accessory building and add two new accessory buildings as shown. Supported by Terryn, voice vote, all ayes, no nays. Motion carried.

Ordinance Amendments & Other Reports

- a. Alcohol in Township Parks: Township Board has received a request for a wedding use of the park with alcohol. Current park rules don't allow alcohol but the Barbeque Festival has had a beer tent. The Township Park Committee recommends private use not be permitted to have alcohol. Give and exemption for nonprofits, etc. There is also some impact on Mass Gathering requests. Coker appointed a committee of Kolenda, Whelpley, and Kramer to review this issue and make a recommendation at the next meeting.
- b. Committee report on Rentals of RVs: The committee has not met due scheduling and Covid-19 issues. Mr. Cihak has been involved in his business commitments and unable to attend. Kolenda asked to add someone new to the committee. Coker appointed Rapa. They will have a report at the next meeting.

Public Comment:

Mark Borst: RVs are not a taxable structure as buildings are, should they even be allowed to be used as rentals. Welcome to the new commissioners.

Mike Cook: Is there any affect of the grants we received by allowing alcohol in parks?

Chuck Reudi: SLUV group hasn't received any feedback from the Planning Commission after their presentation last year on the septic tank ordinance, whom are they to be working with as liaison to the township board. He is glad we have gone to Zoom for meetings.

Adjournment: There being no further business to come before the commission the meeting was adjourned at 8:35 PM.

Jake Whelpley, Secretary