

**Hamilton Township  
Planning Commission  
Minutes of May 9, 2017**

Meeting called to Order by Denise Goodenow at 6:30 PM and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

**Roll Call Attendance:**

Present: Denise Goodenow, Melanie Conway, Mike Conway and Linda Barkell

Absent: Marsha McKee

Guests: 5

Staff Present: Mark Janeczko, Zoning Administrator & BEO.

**Approval of the Agenda:** Motion by Mike Conway and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Melanie Conway to approve the agenda as written. All in favor, M/C.

**Approval of the Minutes:** Barkell read the minutes of April 11, 2017 to all present and motion by Mike Conway and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Melanie Conway to accept the minutes as written with no corrections. All in favor, M/C.

**Public Comments:** The Bulmer's brought in material from the Socially Responsible Agricultural Project or SRAP in regard to the impact of Factory Farms in communities. We will review and discuss later.

**Old Business:** We discussed the Zoning Ordinance under Sec.21.13 para D 1. A motion was made by Mike Conway and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Melanie Conway to advise Tara Williams to pursue a variance through the ZBA. Voting was Mike C yes, Melanie C yes, Goodenow, no and Barkell, no. We then proceeded with further discussion. Mike C and Melanie feel that the current Ordinance is a good Ordinance and should stay as is. Barkell voiced that she felt some changes should be made since the homeowner did meet the 1 acre rule. After further discussion, Tara Williams advised the PC that she will pursue a variance. Since we cannot obtain a Charitable Gaming license or Health department permits for food, we will continue forward with the Rummage Sale/Bazaar on Saturday, May 27, 2017 from 9 am until 2 pm. It was suggested by Mike Conway that we pursue some study into Solar Farms.

**New Business:** Barkell contacted the Clare County Health Dept. and was advised that a 1 time event license would cost \$70 and good for 14 days and a permanent license would cost us about \$500. We will look into bringing a vendor in for food. The SOM advised that since we are a municipality we cannot obtain a Charitable Gaming License.

**Zoning Administrators Report:** presented to the Township Board on 5-4-2017

New Regular Meeting is Tuesday, June 13, 2017 at 6:30 PM.

Adjournment: Motion by Melanie C and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Barkell to adjourn at 7:29 PM. All in favor, M/C

Linda Barkell, Secretary