

Sumpter Township
Planning Commission
Minutes
April 9, 2015

Meeting called to order by Chairperson Stalmack at 7:00 pm showing present: Stalmack, Bardell, Oddy, Cichewicz, Pokerwinski. Also present Planner Kreps, Attorney Young, Detective Toth, Captain Luke and approximately 4 residents.

Motion by Oddy, supported by Cichewicz to approve minutes of March 12, 2015. Motion carried unanimously.

OLD BUSINESS:

Discussion regarding rescinding or amending the special exception for Sumpter Roller Rink at 19750 Sumpter to have exercise classes, dances, party rentals, etc.

Oddy started with offering amendments to original special exception use list that was provided by the applicant. First amendment suggested was to remove Colleges-Student Unions and adding "No Professionally Promoted Parties. Second amendment suggested was facility activities to end by 12, midnight. Horn stated he does not want time limit. Oddy stated this was for parties not for skating. 1:00 am was an agreed upon time to end. Third amendment suggested was no alcoholic beverages allowed. Fourth amendment was number of events per week not exceed ___TBD. Fifth amendment was removing etc and insert Holiday Parties due to the fact etc was too open ended.

Oddy stated special events by someone else would need special event permit, when they lease to someone else. Bardell stated whoever leases the hall they would be the people to get permit, (apx. \$5 to \$10). Horn asked if he had parking lot event would he need special permit? Cichewicz tried to clarify special exception vs. special event. Oddy explained exception was giving Horn permission to lease rink to someone else, he still needs special event permit. Stalmack explained again if you make money that is classified as special event. Planner Kreps stated if rented for personal use it is ok. Rented to someone to make money and open to the public then it is a special event. Stalmack explained special exception vs. special events again. Horn asked if their list was being considered for uses. Oddy explained the commission was reviewing existing use not expanding current uses. Audience member S. Pokerwinski said its bullshit that they have to get special events permit.

Stalmack called meeting back to order. Stated they are moving forward doesn't matter that things weren't done correctly in the past. Horn wants to know what they can or can't do. They need to understand. Said Clerk's office would not give them copy of ordinance that states what is allowed. Planner Kreps stated per zoning ordinance: states uses that are allowed in each land use. When that differs, you must hold a public hearing and a decision to add or subtract reasonable conditions on land use are recommended to the township board for them to vote on and the board can also add or subtract requirements. Cichewicz explained that when Horns rent out to someone else, they need a special event permit. Planner Kreps stated when renting for a private event, public not invited, that use is allowed. Horn explained he wants to make money and wants to rent out rink. Planner Kreps stated a karaoke event with NO skating is a special event permit use. If there is skating then no special event permit is required. Oddy stated he felt like they were back to square one. Private parties are allowed with no charges without a special event permit required.

7:55 pm Tornado watch now in effect.

Horn miss-understands. He states he can't rent out. He does not understand special exception use vs. special events permit. Attorney Young explained ordinances are on-line. Additional special events can be printed off for Mr. Horn at the Clerk's office. Special exemption use is reviewed by planning commission and a recommendation goes in front of the township board for approval or disapproval and can be amended by the township board.

Due to weather conditions; motion by Oddy to table tonight's discussion until next month's meeting and the Clerk's office to provide copies of special zoning use ordinance and copies of special events permits to Mr. Horn; supported by Bardell. Motion carried unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS:

Discussion on updating the Master Plan. Planner Kreps sent out letter of intent in order for the commission to submit comments on the Master Plan.

OPEN FLOOR:

No discussion. Motion by Oddy, supported by Bardell to close open floor. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Oddy, supported by Bardell to adjourn at 8:06 pm. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,
Karen Armatis
Deputy Supervisor