BENTON CHARTER TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION

MEETING MINUTES

JULY 8, 2021

Members Present: Jack Caughey, Chris Tennes, Jeff Locke, Ben Kudwa, Joy Suits,

Maureen Sorbet, and Barbara Wickerham

Absent: Dave Falsetta

Others who attended the Meeting:

Gary Suits-Benton Township Supervisor and Tammy Foster-Zoning Administrator

Call to Order:

Chairman Jack Caughey called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance: Chairman Caughey led the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Planning Commission Member: Tom Fasnaugh reported at the June 2021 Commission meeting that he would be moving in the near future. Tom did move and therefore will not be serving on the Township Planning Commission. The Commission would like to thank Tom for his service, and wish him the best in his new adventure.

Meeting Minutes Approval:

Tammy Foster informed the Commission that there was an error in the June 2021 meeting minutes. On page 2, under “2. Hearing”, second paragraph, the 14.05 should be 15.05. A motion was made by Maureen Sorbet, supported by Chris Tennes to approve the minutes of June 10, 2021, meeting with correction. Motion carried 7 ayes; 0 nays.

Additions to Agenda: None

Public Comment Non-Agenda Items:

None

New Business:

1. Continue to review and discuss any changes to interim zoning ordinance pages 37-66. The Planning Commission continued reviewing page by page the interim zoning ordinance. Tammy recorded changes, provided guidance and answered questions the Commission had. At the August meeting the Commission will review pages 67-100.

Additional Comments: Gary Suits provided an up-date regarding the survey that was sent to the residents.

Tammy Foster gave the Commission an update on the work she is doing on the Master Plan, and map of the existing land use. Tammy also suggested that the Township schedule a meeting in September for the residents to view and ask questions regarding the Master Plan and land use map, and share the results of the Benton Charter Master Plan 2021 Community Survey at that meeting. Deadline to turn in the survey is August 15, 2021.

Public Comment: None

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 9:00

Meeting minutes by: Barbara Wickerham, Planning Commission Secretary.