Benton Charter Township Planning Commission Meeting Minutes June 8, 2023

Members Present: Jack Caughey, Jeff Locke, Ben Kudwa, Maureen Sorbet, Chris Tennes, Roger Harris and Barbara Wickerham

Absent:

Others present: Gary Suits-Benton Township Supervisor, 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 Pledge of Allegiance.

Meeting Minutes Approval

A motion was made by Barbara Wickerham support Jeff Locke to accept the amended minutes of March 9, 2023, motion Carried. A copy of the amended minutes are on file at the Township office.

A motion by Chris Tennes support Maureen Sorbet to amended agenda by removing the name Hidden Creek Farms from agenda item 7. Motion carried. The amended agenda is on file at the Township office.

New Business

Chairman Caughey opened the meeting of the draft ordinance to the Benton Charter Township Zoning Ordinance, amending ordinance No. 2022-2, addressing requiring a special use permit for establishment of Bed and Breakfast facilities on R 1 and agricultural zoned property. Zoning Administrator, Tammy Foster, presented the draft ordinance. Recommendations were made by Planning Commission members and Township residents. A copy of the revised draft ordinance is on file at the Township office and will be reviewed at a public hearing held in conjunction with the July 6, 2023, Benton Township Planning Commission meeting.

Old Business

Zoning Administrator Foster reviewed the open special use permit by Lou's Cutting Edge regarding the construction of a building on the site and contractor license. The construction of the building and lack of a building license are in violation of zoning regulations. These violations must be corrected by September 2023.

Chairman Caughey opened the meeting for public comment, no comments were offered Chairman Caughey closed the public comment period.

Next meeting July 6, 2023

Motion to adjourn Barbara Wickerham support Jeff Locke, motion carried