

## **Armada Township**

## **PLANNING COMMISSION**

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## MINUTES September 6, 2017

7:00 p.m.

## Regular Meeting

Call to order

- 1. Pledge of Allegiance
- 2. Roll Call
- 3. Approve/Amend Agenda
- 4. Approval of minutes: Regular Meeting May 3, 2017
- 5. Public Comments
- 6. Public Hearing:
- 7. Reports and Correspondence
- 8. New Business: Parking Ordinance Review
- 9. Unfinished Business
- 10. PC Projects
- 11. Public Comments
- 12. Adjournment

Next Scheduled Regular Meeting: October 4, 2017

Call to order: Chair Kehrig called the meeting to order at 7:04 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance: Chair Kehrig led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call: Present: Finlay, Kehrig, Jabara, Kanehl, and Abercrombie. Absent: Wieske, DeCock.

Also present: Planner Joe Tangari and Recording Secretary Christine White

Approve/Amend Agenda: Motion made by Abercrombie, seconded by Kanehl, to amend the agenda by adding Recreation Plan update to New Business. All Ayes: Motion Carried. Approval of Minutes: Regular meeting minutes May 3, 2017. Motion made by Jabara, seconded by Finlay, to approve minutes. All Ayes: Motion Carried.

**Public Comments:** Rod Arroyo let the board know that Joe Tangari is now a certified planner. The planning commission congratulated him for his achievement.

Public Hearing: None.

Reports and Correspondence: Chair Kehrig noted the Planning & Zoning News for April, May, June and July. Citizen Planner News for August 2017. Motion made by Abercrombie, seconded by Finlay, to receive and file as presented. All Ayes: Motion Carried.

New Business: Parking Ordinance Review-Joe Tangari went over the townships current ordinance and explained that he cleaned up and reformatted it into a table format so that it would be easier to read and follow. He explained each section with the commission. They discussed the retail parking. Going with one parking space for every two hundred and fifty square feet, compared to the one hundred square feet currently required. It is more common to go with the

two hundred and fifty square feet because of changing times and online shopping. Under open air business, the commission thought was vague, and that a list of types of parking by what type of business it is should be listed. There are two Elementary and Junior High Schools listed. The first one is to be omitted. The top paragraph should have an insert that reads as determined by the planning commission during site plan approval. These changes will be made along with cleaning up the language and it will be ready for Public Hearing in the future.

Recreation Plan Update: The commission went over that the Recreation Plan expires in 2018, and work should start to begin on updating it. It is about a six month project. There are 2019 deadlines for grant submissions. Planner Tangari and Planner Arroyo discussed condensing the plan and updating the community profile, as well as updating the inventory by adding the newly completed skate park and the loss of the K of C hall property. There are community members wanting to add a mega play scape and are looking into different funding options. Two forms of public input will be needed. An online survey is low cost and efficient and this service could be provided by the planners. An index will be included. Lighting was a mentioned concern. The township boards input and the budget will also be needed moving forward.

Unfinished Business: None.

PC Projects: None.

Public Comments: None.

Adjournment: Motion made by Abercrombie, seconded by Kanehl, to adjourn at 8:37

p.m. All Ayes: Motion Carried.

Respectfully submitted:

Christine White, Recording Secretary

Approved:

DJ Kehrig, Chairperson

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