## **Mussey Township Planning Commission**

## We learn from the Past, We live in the Present, We prepare for the Future

Bill Schultz, Chair Mary Klug, Vice Chair Linda Kniseley, Secretary Kenneth Montgomery, Planner Linda Schmitt, Member Brian Ypma, Member Judy Palmieri, Member Monica Standel, Twp. Board Rep.

Regular Planning Commission Meeting Held at the Township Hall 27 January, 2015 Official Minutes

**Call to Order**: Bill Schultz called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m..

**Roll Call:** Present: Bill Schultz, Judy Palmieri, Mary Klug, Linda Kniseley, Linda Schmitt, Brian Ypma & Bldg./ Zoning Administrator, Debra Hlubic.

Absent: Monica Standel.

Public Present: Amanda & Ryan Elliott.

**Approval of Agenda:** Motion by Mary Klug, support Judy Palmieri to approve the agenda as presented. All ayes. Motion carried. Agenda approved.

**Approval of Minutes**: Motion by Linda Kniseley, support Linda Schmitt to approve the November 25, 2014 minutes as written. All ayes. Motion carried.

Public Hearing: None.

Public Time: None.

New Business: (1). Discussion re: the hiring of a new planner. The Planning Commission is responsible for looking into finding a planner and then bring the recommendation back to the Mussey Township Board for approval. Will get started on this and work with Debbie, also waiting to hear what information Monica Standel has after attending the MTA Convention. (2). Discussion re: amending Ordinance #29B-Accessory Buildings. Would like to remove item #H - Limitation with Respect to Dwelling Size: No single detached accessory building shall exceed the floor area of the dwelling. A copy of Armada's Accessory Ordinance was presented to the members for their review and discussion. A Public Hearing will take place on February 24, 2015 @7:00 p.m. during the regular scheduled Planning Commission meeting. Motion Judy Palmieri, support Linda Kniseley to remove the wording in Ordinance #29B, Accessory Buildings, Section 1203-H. Ayes: Linda Kniseley, Judy Palmieri, Brian Ypma & Bill Schultz. Motion carried.

**Old Business:** (1). Up-date re: the codification of our Ordinances. The draft copy has been completed and must now be reviewed by the Planning Commission. A Legal and Editorial Report will be sent to us within 60 days which will explain editorial revisions that was made to our codes, as well as any editorial and legal comments and questions regarding specific code sections. Upon receiving this, the Planning Commission will have 60 days to review the draft before returning everything for the completion of the first edition. (2). Discussion re: holding a study-work session to review the codification of the ordinances. This will be further discussed upon receiving the Legal and Editorial Report. (3). Brief discussion re: the definition of "small"

animals" and how it is worded in our Ordinance. A copy of 2 other municipalities wording for this was given too the members for review. This will be further discussed at the next regular meeting.

Township Board Report: None.

**Planning Commission Chair Report:** (1). Bill Schultz asked if the board would like to re-elect officers or wait until next November. In the past, the elections always took place in January, but being as these seats were just appointed last November should we change the month to that. Brief discussion. Motion Mary Klug, support Judy Palmieri to re-appoint officers every November. All ayes. Motion carried.

**Adjournment:** Motion Linda Kniseley, support Judy Palmieri to adjourn. All ayes. Motion carried and meeting adjourned @ 8:15 p.m..

Next meeting will be held on February 24, 2015

## Respectfully submitted by:

Debra L. Hlubic Building & Zoning Administrator