

**GOLDEN TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
October 25, 2016**

Meeting called to order at 7:30 P.M. by Chairperson Cook, Pledge of Allegiance recited.

Roll Call: Present; Borst, Fuehring, Terryn, Fong, Cook, Whelpley, and Zoning Administrator Draper. Absent: Coker, Hosner, and 3 members of the public in attendance.

Agenda: Motion by Fong to approved the agenda, supported by Borst. All Ayes, motion carried.

Minutes of the September 27, 2016 Meeting: Motion by Borst to accept the minutes of the September 27, 2016 meeting as presented. All ayes, motion carried.

Correspondence: None

Zoning Administrator Report: 71 Permits issued this years, 7 this month, three for new homes. Two tickets were written for the mobile homes placed on the property at Morris Lake Road and 52nd Avenue.

New Business:

1. Bylaw Review; Cook and Whelpley would like to see the number of members reduced from nine to seven. We've had one resignation and one person on leave of absence due to illness and not expected to return. We've not had much response for new members and seven is a workable group. Motion by Cook to amend the by-laws to change the number of members from nine to seven, supported by Fong. All ayes, motion carried. Motion by Fong to recommend to the township board to change to membership of the Planning Commission from nine to seven, supported by Fuehring. All ayes, motion carried.

Old Business: None

1. Temporary Campground Permit; Discussed the temporary campground permit for more than four RV's on a parcel for family or group gatherings. Cook appointed Whelpley, Borst, and Terryn, a committee to review the idea and come up with some guidelines.

Ordinance Amendments & Other Reports

1. Township Short Term Rental Ordinance; Cook, Whelpley, and Fong made some revisions to the proposed rental ordinance for the members to review. Borst asked about the reason for it not covering residences as well as short term rentals. Cook explained that the short term rentals are a commercial use in a residential area and they can be regulated as such. Whelpley explained a Michigan Building code that the township can adopt that will help control some of the issues with number of people per dwelling.

Public Comment: None

Adjournment: Meeting adjourned at 8:45 P.M.

Jake Whelpley
Secretary