

ZONING COMMISSION

Work Session

March 3, 2011

Version I

Members present: Chairman, Tom Kelley, Richard Bradner, Ed Mazak, Joy Kosiewicz, Trustee Goodrich, Zoning/Administrator Bill Funk and Recording Secretary Martha Ferch. Carol Franklin and Bruce McMakin were excused.

Minutes for January 6, 2011 were moved to be approved by Mr. Bradner and seconded by Mr. Mazak. Minutes approved unanimously.

January and February Zoning Reports were presented by Zoning Inspector: Zoning Department issued 9 permits, one new commercial building, one accessory structure, three business signs and four business use permits. Appearance Review Commission reviewed the changes to the Circle K gas station and it's a work in progress with the architect to obtain a more suitable fit to the corridor; four business signs were also reviewed. The Board of Zoning Appeals heard requests for a lot reconfiguration, a side yard reduction for an accessory structure and rejected a business sign for Hobart that listed their divisions and product logos. Circle K gas station renovation for a conditional use will be heard after it has been tweaked by the Appearance Review and the Firestone Trace BZA case for five addition lot division was dismissed. Zoning report was accepted as presented.

Zoning Commission and Appearance Review sub-committee members, Zoning Inspector, Trustees along with Bill Snow interviewed four prospective consultants in February. Final selection was made to hire Wendy Moeller, Compass Point for a fee of \$40,930 to help write the update of the Zoning Resolution.

Chairman, Tom Kelley moved that Wendy Moeller of Compass Point be hired as a consultant to help with the update of the Bath Township Zoning Resolution. Richard Bradner seconded. Unanimously approved.

Chairman, Tom Kelley moved that the Bath Township Trustees grant the payment of \$40,930 to Wendy Moeller, Compass Point, as contract with consultant dictates and after completion of the Bath Township Zoning Resolution update. Ed Mazak seconded. Unanimously approved.

Chairman will put the two motions in writing and send it e-mail to Trustee Goodrich for an agenda item at their Monday, March 7, 2011 meeting.

Consultant will start the work at the regularly scheduled meetings of the Zoning Commission beginning with the April 7, 2011 meeting. Also invited to attend were three Board of Zoning Appeal members: Steve Bell, Linda Hastings and Michael Mack along with three members of the Appearance Review Commission: Tim Franklin, Jason Boltz and Paula Dubaniewicz.

Zoning Inspector was asked to send out the completed Springfield Township zoning resolution that Wendy Moeller has revised to Zoning Commission members for review.

Newspaper article on Holland's resistance to wind turbines was reviewed and noted that they are not wanted by the people of Holland for aesthetic reasons.

Motion to adjourn was made by Dick Bradner and seconded by Ed Mazak. Meeting adjourned at 7:20 pm.