

Lincoln Township – Midland County
Planning Commission

Susan Ensign-Chairperson, Sheila Mesler-Vice Chairperson

Reid Duford – Secretary

Members - Chris Clark, Mark Thornton

January 25, 2011

The meeting of the Lincoln Township Planning Commission was called to order by Vice Chairperson Sheila Mesler at 6:30 pm.

Roll call was taken: Sheila Mesler, Reid Duford, Chris Clark, and Mark Thornton were present. Susan Ensign was absent.

A motion was made by Reid Duford to approve the agenda and was supported by Mark Thornton. Motion approved 4-0.

Motion by Mark Thornton and supported by Chris Clark to approve the minutes of the January 4, 2011 meeting. Motion approved 4-0.

Public Hearing #1 - on a request from XRM, Inc. for a Special Land Use Permit to rent a motel type apartment attached to a mini storage building located at 66 E Price Road, parcel number 110-028-300-061-00.

The Petitioner, Gene Franek spoke about his intention of having a short stay single-tenant motel type lodging in a vacant office attached to his mini storage facility. The 360 square foot space consists of two rooms and a bathroom. The petitioner stated that the property meets current building/fire/safety codes.

The Planning Commission members deliberated and considered each of the six general standards read from Chapter 13 of the Lincoln Township Zoning Ordinance "Special Land Use Permit Requirements", specifically, "General Requirements for Approval".

A motion was made by Reid Duford and supported by Mark Thornton: "To approve a Special Land Use Permit as requested by the petitioner provided the property is and shall be maintained in compliance with Lincoln Township Zoning and Building requirements and Health and Safety standards set by Midland County and the rental period for this single-tenant apartment shall not be less than 30 consecutive days."

The motion was approved 4-0.

Public Hearing #2 – on a request from AirCell, LLC for a twelve-month extension of a Special Land Use Permit. The petitioner's agent, Robert Wheaton of SureSite Consulting group explained AirCell's proposal to construct, operate, and maintain a wireless broadband facility located at 1405 E Wackerly Rd. The facility is to be constructed at the very east end of the parcel. The project consists of a 195 foot monopole with wireless telecommunication antennas and supporting equipment shelter that will be enclosed within a fenced compound.

A motion was made by Chris Clark and supported by Reid Duford to accept petitioner's request to extend the time period of the previously approved Special Land Use Permit, granted to petitioner on January 5, 2010, for a period of twelve months. Motion Approved 4-0.

The public hearing was adjourned and the Commission moved to the following agenda items.

Commission Comments: None

Public Comments: None

New Business: None

Old Business: the Commission decided to have Cindy Winland of Crescent Consulting talk about the changes in the Zoning Ordinance book at the March 1, 2011 Planning Commission meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 7:30 pm

Reid Duford, Secretary
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