Millington Township Zoning Board of Appeals Wednesday March 20th, 2024 8553 State St. Millington MI 48746

Meeting Minutes for ZBA:

Called to order: 6:02 pm

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Members absent: Carol Kreger.

Review/ Approval of minutes:

Seated alternate George Moore. Robert Benard made a motion to accept the minutes. George Moore seconded. Robert Benard motioned to amend the minutes. George Moore seconded. Robert Benard reviews his notes to amend the minutes. Nathan Ptaszenski, George Moore and Matt Opperman review the notes for minute approval. Vote taken by Robert Benard, all in favor signify by aye, all members vote aye. Minutes are approved. 6:11pm

Closed session minutes 6:12 pm Closed session minutes reviewed by all members. Motion to approve by Nathan Ptaszenski. Seconded by Robert Benard. Vote taken by Robert Benard to approve the closed session minutes. All members vote aye. Minutes are approved.

Public policy for comments: Robert Benard read the public comment rules, 6:15pm

Alan Green 5638 Millington rd. Alan hands out documents. Points out that race track is only allowed in the commercial district.

Jessie Fall 8148 Irish rd. Asks that Alan Green's public comment not be considered because public comment was closed during the last meeting. Discussion on public comment by Robert Benard and Matt Opperman. Matt Opperman asks Jessie Fall about the type of mud bog events she plans to have.

Kathy Moorhouse 8140 Irish rd. She asks if we are not reading the letters sent in by the public? Robert Benard said we will read them.

Robert Benard reads the letters: 6:25pm

Lee Basset letter- He warns about property values.

Ken & Kathy Moorhouse letter- There are plenty of new businesses around Millington and campgrounds close by. Please follow the ordinances.

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Richard & Caroline Pickard letter- ZBA job is hard. Uphold the ordinances. The Falls are running a business and that is not in compliance with 18.02 ordinance. Worried about hazardous traffic on the road.

Public Comment Closed: 6:31 pm

New Business: none

Old Business: 6:34pm Robert Benard asks if Cassy Burns and George Moore if they have

read the packet. Cassy Burns and George Moore both say yes.

Robert Benard reads and excerpt from attorney client privilege 3/13/2024

Robert Benard makes a statement. The issue we are faced with is not an issue for a mud bog or campground. The issue is proper notice was not given, and required information was not presented 17.01 and 17.06 proper action of planning commission would have been to table discussion until an approved site plan has been submitted and approved. Robert Benard reads 2018 planning commission minutes on tri county aggregates case showing this has been a past practice.

Robert Benard makes a motion to reverse and remand the Falls special land use permit back to the planning commission. George Moore seconded the motion. Zoning permit, escrow fee, lack of proper site plan and lack of proper notice 18.02.

Deliberations by zoning board of appeals takes place.

Robert Benard amends the motion to remove the remand and just reverse the planning commission decision. Robert Benard takes a vote. Matt Opperman, yay- Cassy Burns, yay- George Moore, yay- Nathan Ptaszenski, yay- Robert Benard, yay. The motion passed and the Falls special land use permit was reversed. 7:07pm

Matt Opperman comments on the Falls special land use permit and said the township did not give the falls the right direction in the application process. Campgrounds are within the special land use permit and within ordinances. ZBA conditions on site plan could be done. Robert Benard makes a comment that Matt Opperman's comments should be for the planning commission and not the ZBA.

Robert Benard makes a motion to adjourn the meeting. Nathan Ptaszenski seconded. Meeting adjourned at 7:11pm

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Interim Secretary/Vice Chair of ZBA- Nathan Ptaszenski

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