

Riley Township Planning Commission

Regular Meeting Minutes

Meeting Details

Date: April 18, 2022

Time: 7:00 p.m.

Location: Riley Township Hall, 13016 Belle River Road, Riley, MI 48041

Open

- Called to order at 7:00 p.m.
- Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call

Present: Doug Pratt, Dave Rushing, Duane Hagle, Brad Schuster, Michele Daly-Brown, Jerry Fillion, David Bergen

Agenda

- Changes to agenda: None
- *Motion to accept agenda as presented made by Hagle, seconded by Fillion. All in favor, motion approved.*

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- *Motion to accept minutes as presented made by Rushing, seconded by Bergen. All in favor, motion approved.*

Public Comments on Agenda Items: None presented

Public Hearing: Permit # 2022-01 Annual Mining Permit Application

- *Motion to open public hearing made by Rushing, seconded by Hagle at 7:02 p.m. All in favor, motion approved.*

Request for public comments was made by the Chairperson and receive from:

- Resident on Lambs Road concerned if hours and stipulations would remain the same, and if there would be any reduction in water levels.
- Resident on Shepherd Lane concerned on the quality of their well water since the new well has been dug, is getting a lot of rust in their water, the mine is pumping water 24 hours a day, the amount of water being pumped from the mine, and if cameras can be used on the equipment in place of the current backup alarm system.
- Permit applicant reported that the mine is only operating from 6am to 7pm Monday thru Friday, 6am to 3pm on Saturday with no operations on Sunday, the water level is regulated weekly by the DEQ, and that State MIOSHA regulations require an audible backup alarm on equipment.

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- *Motion to close public hearing made by Daly-Brown, seconded by Schuster at 7:28 p.m. All in favor, motion approved.*

Guest Speaker: Commissioner Rushing reported spraying for invasive moths will begin soon and will use a GPS system to locate infested areas to spray. Riley Township had only one survey report of invasive moths.

Trustee Report: Hagle reported that a building permit will be issued for a barndominium; Road Commission contracts for limestone and road repairs were approved with work starting around Mid-May; and poverty exemption guidelines were approved.

Parks & Recreation Report: Hagle reported the committee is looking into new playground equipment, and discussed plans for a Fall Festival with Car Show.

Zoning Board of Appeals Report: No meeting held.

New Business: None

Old Business:

A. Annual Mining Permit Application #2022-01:

- *Motion to approve the Annual Mining Permit Application and site plan #2022-01 for Wiegand Crushing Company located at 1280 Kinney Road with original stipulations listed made by Rushing, seconded by Hagel. Discussion: Stipulations for hours and water levels will remain intact. All in favor, motion passed.*

Stipulations:

1. Operating hours 6am-7pm on Monday thru Friday, 6am-3pm on Saturday, no Sundays and Holidays;
2. No retail sales;
3. No crusher on site;
4. Any unreasonable reduction of static water level attributed to the mining operation located at 1280 Kinney Road to a residence, the well will be replaced; and
5. Water level of the pond on site will not go lower in elevation than 717 feet.

B. Special Use Application #2021-02 Located at 10703 Sparling Road: Applicants applied for a mechanical permit and are working on their residency compliance.

Committee Reports: None

Communications Received: Information from MTA on upcoming training available.

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Comments from the Public: None presented

Comments from Planning Commission Members Not Addressed: Rushing noted the county will have a milage proposal for ambulance service on the upcoming August primary ballot. The dispensary located on M-19 in City of Memphis should be open in one month and are looking at a second location. Richmond/Lenox EMS should start property renovations by July 2022.

Next Regular Meeting:

May 16th, 2022 at 7pm at Riley Township Hall, 13016 Belle River Rd, Riley, MI 48041

Adjournment

- *Motion to adjourn made by Hagle, seconded by Bergen at 7:49 p.m. All in favor, motion approved.*

Respectfully submitted by,

Patricia Gondert, Recording Clerk

Doug Pratt, Chairperson