



**RAISINVILLE TOWNSHIP PLANNING
COMMISSION MINUTES
November 20, 2023**

CALL TO ORDER: A meeting of the Raisinville Township Planning Commission was called to order by Chairman John Delmotte at 7:00 p.m. on Monday November 20, 2023. John led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL: John Delmotte, Tom Woelmer, Keith Henderson, Craig Assenmacher, Ryan Timiney, Catherine Acerboni, Ann Nickel-Swinkey along with Township Planner, Lucie Fortin. Sean Zabawa, applicant and Dan Rigato were also in attendance.

APPROVAL of MINUTES: Motion to approve the minutes of the October 16, 2023 meeting and place on file by Ann, Supported by Tom Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS: None

OLD BUSINESS: Zabawa Wedding Venue

Planner, Lucie Fortin, submitted Site Plan Review, Second Review, R1660028, dated 11/14/2023. This review focuses on the deficient items noted in the first review dated September 11, 2023.

Engineer, Mark Mathe, submitted Preliminary & Final Site Plan Review, Second Review, dated 11/14/2023. Discussion included greenbelt, fences, gravel parking lot, bumpers, fence, dumpster, etc.

Motion to recommend Township Board Approval of the Final Site Plan for Parcel No. 5813-236-338-00 located at 2340 Geiger Road with the following information noted and depicted on updated Final Plans:

- 1.) **A lifesaving station installed near the pond and depicted on the updated Final Plans.**
- 2.) **The Planning Commission finds that the parking lot gravel surface is acceptable for this use with the exception of the drive approach and handicap parking spaces, which will be paved. Parking bumpers blocks will be installed and depicted on the updated Final Plans.**
- 3.) **A landscaped greenbelt along Geiger Rd will be added on the updated Final Plans as required by the Zoning Ordinance.**
- 4.) **The Planning Commission finds that the dumpster pad size is acceptable as proposed.**
- 5.) **The Special Use conditions will be noted on the updated Final Plans.**

Motion made by John. Supported by Catherine. Motion Carried

Planner, Lucie Fortin, will review the plan updates before the Updated Final Site Plan is submitted to the Township Board for final approval.

MISCELLANEOUS: The Master plan has been emailed to adjoining townships for their review and the Public Hearing will be in January. The Dollar General has been in communication with the Township and Lucie. We are expecting a site plan soon. Tom spoke regarding the fact that the State has removed control of Solar and Wind projects from the Townships.

PUBLIC COMMENT: Dan Rigato, 5034 N Custer Rd., stated although our Township has Solar and Wind Ordinance, House Bills 5120 & 5123 will override our solar ordinance. He also spoke about State Representative Reggie Miller and how she voted for it despite the overwhelming response against it. He also recommended that our Township place a moratorium on any activity with Wind and Solar while these new House Bills are defined.

NEXT MEETING: December 18, 2023 (if needed)

ADJOURN: Motion to adjourn by Ann. Supported by Craig. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 8:00 pm. Minutes are preliminary until approved.