

**BRADY TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION  
MINUTES OF MEETING HELD SEPTEMBER 16, 2010**

A regular meeting of the Brady Township Planning Commission was held on September 16, 2010 commencing at 7:00 p.m.

**ROLL CALL**

Members present: Chairman Gary Miller  
Vice-Chairman Dave Locey  
Ed Haberle  
Mike Henderson  
Randy Smith  
Scott Oswalt

Absent: Julie Skrzypek.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Mike Henderson **made a motion** to approve the agenda as printed. Dave Locey **supported the motion**, and it was **passed unanimously**.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Mike Henderson **made a motion** to approve the minutes of May 20, 2010 as printed. Ed Haberle **supported**, and the **motion was carried unanimously**.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**Update on Medical Marijuana Clinics**

The Township Board has asked for direction from the Planning Commission as to whether the Brady Township Ordinance should be changed to deal with medical marijuana districts in a pro-active manner. Gary Miller read a letter from Township Attorney Craig Rolfe, stating that he is waiting to hear from the Township before preparing any proposed changes to the Ordinance. It was noted that the state is extensively regulating the licensing of these "clinics" and that any local ordinance would be pre-empted by the state. However, this may be a lengthy process, and the Planning Commission members felt that the Township should have something in place to deal with these clinics, even if it is pre-empted by the state later. After further discussion, the Planning Commission recommended that the Township Board request that the Township Attorney review the Ordinance in relation to the new medical marijuana clinics and propose any needed changes.

### **Setbacks in the Nazarene Campground, Old Section**

Randy Smith stated that the setbacks in the old section of the Nazarene Camp need to be modified. He stated that the current setback requirements create many Zoning Board of Appeals variance requests as well as time and money spent in court defending law suits.

Mike Henderson responded that the Planning Commission has already made major accommodations to the camp in its current setbacks. He stated that emergency vehicle traffic and fire control are a concern, as well as controlling density and allowing some green space.

Dave Locey stated that the lots were originally intended for small cabins for summer vacation homes. He stated that a 40' x 80' lot cannot support a large house, that perhaps two lots should be required for the larger building projects.

Randy Smith stated that the minimum square footage requirement for a house is 1200 sq. ft. and that this could not be attained with the current setbacks on a 40' x 80' lot.

After further discussion, it was decided that the Planning Commissioners will review the ZBA meetings for the past 5 years to find how many requests were made, and how many of them were in the Nazarene Camp, and how many involved setbacks. The Planning Commission will then decide if modifications are needed to the setbacks and/or minimum square footage requirements at its November meeting. Randy Smith agreed to find the number of vacant lots in the old part of the Nazarene Camp.

**OLD BUSINESS: none.**

### **REPORT from Township Board**

Randy Smith stated that the Township has hired an ordinance enforcement officer. He stated that SCMCCI is very pleased with this arrangement.

Randy Smith **made a motion** to adjourn at 8:15 p.m. Dave Locey **seconded** and the **motion was carried unanimously.**

The next regular Planning Commission Meeting is scheduled for November 18, 2010 at 7:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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Chairman Gary Miller

Brenda Brock,  
Recording Secretary