

**BECKER JOINT PLANNING BOARD
MEETING MINUTES
JULY 22, 2014**

Present: Brad Wilkening, Gary Hammer, Jerome Kleis, Lucinda Messman

Absent: Tracy Bertram, Mark Limpert

Also Present: Kelli Bourgeois, Richard Schieffer – Township Attorney, Amanda Othoudt – Planning and Zoning

Meeting called to order by Acting Chair.

Motion to approve the minutes as distributed by Hammer, second by Kleis. Motion carried, all voting in favor.

Interim Ordinance – 6 month Mining Moratorium 2014-02 Presented by staff

- Halt new mining operations to research and improve our zoning code. This will not stop properly permitted current mining operations.
- We need to have standards/requirements/environmental preservation more clearly defined
- Staff feels control over these elements is lacking
- Six months provides enough time to get everything in order

Mr. Schieffer suggested two changes:

Section 3, Item number one, should include the following

No existing properly permitted mining or extraction of earthly deposits shall be affected by this ordinance.

Updates to signatures

Q: Is 6 months enough time for staff to complete research? A: Yes, hopefully it will be completed sooner

Q: So staff recommends updates and feels they are necessary? A: Yes

Motion to approve Town of Becker ORD 2014-02: An interim ordinance placing a six month moratorium on all mining of earthly deposits, locations thereof, and applications therefore within the Town of Becker by Kleis, second by Hammer. Motion carried, all voting in favor.

Other Business:

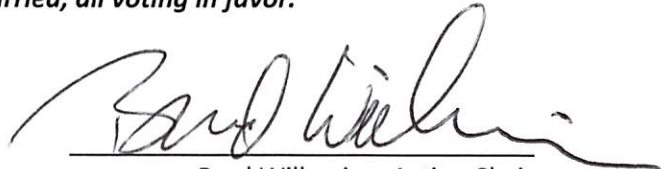
- Next month will be a heavier schedule
 - Home gunsmith hearing
 - Ordinance amendment for SSTS (Subsurface Sewage Treatment System)
 - Change in zoning map for Industrial 2 designation
- Christ Gustafson met with staff today as he wishes to amend his current IUP. The application was incomplete and returned to him. Staff did inform him he still needs to comply with his current IUP conditions. Staff reviewed each of his current conditions verbally with him and provided copies of those conditions. Discussion regarding the history of this IUP ensued. When discussing site plan, staff said Mr. Gustafson was again reminded that no site plan has been completed and approved by the township engineer. Without an approved site plan, no improvements are to be done. Staff has noted improvements that are in direct violation of his IUP. Q: Did Mr. Gustafson know about the site plan requirement? A: Yes, it is written in his 2009 IUP and he has had an engineer helping, but it has not been completed in a manner that

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complies with township standards. The missing information has been pointed out to both Mr. Gustafson and his engineer.

- Questions regarding last month's minutes
 - Q: Signs in township noted in last month's minutes – have they been removed and why do we issue NOV (Notice of Violation) for signs? A: Signs that are placed require permits. The signs were not properly permitted and the owners did remove them.
 - Q: Mr. Farr – has he received his 2nd NOV and what was the grace period expiration date? A: Yes, he received his notice and he has complied. He had until before the July 21, 2014 Town Board meeting began. This has been completed.

Motion to adjourn by Hammer, second by Kleis. Motion carried, all voting in favor.



Brad Wilkening, Acting Chair



Lucinda Messman, Clerk

