**Claybanks Township Planning Commission**

**Commission Meeting Minutes**

**Tuesday, April 12, 2022**

The meeting of the Claybanks Township Planning Commission was called to order at 7:00 pm by Art Grumm.

**Present:** Art Grumm, Peter Shlagor, Connie Campagna, Mark Kutches, Jeff Davey, Steve Jancek, Zoning Administrator Sara Bizon.

**Absent:** Eric McFadden

**Guests:** Brian Monton, Township Attorney

**Citizens present:** Al Blount (Road Commission member) and his wife

Art started the meeting by reading the minutes of the October 12, 2021 meeting. Motion was made to approve the minutes by Steve Jancek, seconded by Jeff Davey. All voted YES, minutes approved as read.

1. **Blight Ordinance**

Brian Monton spoke on his experience with Blight Ordinances. He has drafted such for Crystal and Shelby Townships. He explained how such ordinances are processed when a complaint occurs. Past experiences here in our township were discussed. Procedures as written need to be followed. Willingness to prosecute is necessary. Results of past citizens surveys towards the topic were discussed. Those results were barely above 50% believing it is a problem. Pete was asked to bring the subject up to the Board and get a feel for their level of commitment.

Mr. Monton offered to send copies of his work to Sara.

2. **Our Dangerous Animal Ordinance** was addressed by Mr. Monton. He does mention the county has resources available to deal with these problems. It would need an Animal Control Officer and an enforcement process. Members discussed. Again, Pete was asked to bring the subject up to the Board.

3. **Civil Infraction Ordinance**

It is the feeling of the Commission that our present Civil Infraction Ordinance offers the structure for any further action on either of the above concerns if desired. Sara clarifies that her position does not cover Civil Infractions.

Members of the Commission were especially pleased Mr. Monton had been invited to the meeting.

The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, June 21, at 7 pm.

Motion made by mark Kutches to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Steve Jancek.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:35pm.

Respectfully submitted, Pete Shlagor acting temporary secretary