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PLANNING COMMISSION MINUTES April 19, 2023

The Leoni Township Planning Commission held a meeting Wednesday, April 19, 2023 @ 6:00 p.m. 913 Fifth Street, Leoni Township Meeting Hall, Michigan Center, Michigan.

Meeting opened to call of the Chair: 6:00 pm

Members Present: Connie Gibson, V. Beckwith, Judy Southworth, Bob Pickett, Cody Lester, William

Miles

Members absent: Ron Kinch

Persons in attendance: 7 in person

Pledge of Allegiance

Motion by J. Southworth, supported by W. Miles to approve the agenda as written. 6 Ayes: W. Miles, C. Gibson, C. Lester, J. Southworth, J. Pickett and V. Beckwith 0 Nays:

Motion by C. Lester, supported by C. Gibson to approve the April 5th minutes as written.

Motion adopted by voice vote

Public Comment: Open at 6:01 pm. Closed at 6:06 pm.

Mrs. Pickett spoke at public comment on the 713 9th St. Rezone agenda item. Mrs. Pickett stated her concerns with the property and the state of the house that is located on the property. Mrs. Pickett stated interactions she has had with them as a neighbor to their property and that the Pickett's have had their adjacent property surveyed.

DISCUSSION:

PUBLIC HEARING:

1. 000-09-33-305-003-00 5405 E. Michigan Ave. Renaissance Industries, LLC Site Plan

DISCUSSION:

Mr. Lester represented Renaissance Industries and stated that the site plans were for a 50×80 metal storage building that would not contain bathrooms or running water. This building would be used just to store trucks in.

Motion by J. Southworth, supported by W. Miles to approve the site plan for property 000-09-33-305-003-00 at 5405 E. Michigan Avenue as presented.

5 Ayes: C. Gibson, J. Southworth, Bob Pickett, W. Miles and V. Beckwith

0 Nays:

1 Abstain: Cody Lester

Motion Carried

2. 000-14-09-415-014-00 713 9th Street Sheryl Mullins Rezone

DISCUSSION:

Sheryl Mullins spoke on behalf of their property rezone. Mrs. Mullins stated that they want it rezoned so they can build a garage to store their trucks in. There is no one living in the house currently because it is unlivable. Mrs. Mullins stated that they are only using the house to store tools in. Cannot afford to tear the house down at this point.

Mr. Jester asked Mrs. Mullins if she was aware if they rezone the property, they will lose the ability to use the house as a residence.

Motion by W. Miles, supported by C. Gibson to table the rezone for property 000-14-09-415-014-00 at 713 9th St. due to lack of information till the next meeting on May 3, 2023. Ayes: C. Gibson, J. Southworth, Bob Pickett, W. Miles, V. Beckwith, C. Lester and W. Miles 0 Nays:

Motion Carried

3. Napoleon Road Rezone from B2 to RS

DISCUSSION:

Mr. Lester asked where we left this. Mr. Jester related that Mr. Conti suggested that the Planning Commission could approve the rezone with the contingency that it will take effect on a later date.

Motion by C. Lester, supported by C. Gibson to approve the rezone from B2 to RS on the North East and South West side of Napoleon road with the effective date of January 1, 2024. Ayes: C. Gibson, J. Southworth, Bob Pickett, V. Beckwith, C. Lester and W. Miles 0 Nays:

Motion Carried

RESERVE:

1. Master Plan Finalization

Motion by J. Southworth, supported by C. Lester to adjourn the meeting at 6:28 PM.

Motion adopted by voice vote

Meeting Adjourned 6:28 pm. Next meeting: May 3, 2023