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Thursday, March 12, 2020

The regular meeting of the Town of Porter Planning Board was called to order at 7:00 p.m. with the Pledge to the Flag.

Present: Chairperson J. Anthony Collard, Vice Chairperson Jeffrey Schulze, Member Robert Tower, Member Ryan Ross, Code Enforcement Officer Peter Jeffery, Town Clerk Kara Hibbard

Excused: Member Mark Fox, Attorney Michael Dowd, Planning Board Clerk Amy Freiermuth

Chairperson Collard introduced the board Members, Code Enforcement Officer and Town Clerk to the audience.

Approval of the minutes from February 6, 2020 Planning Board meeting

A motion was made to approve the minutes as presented by Vice Chairperson Schulze and seconded by Member Ross. All in favor, motion carried.

Public hearing for Minor Subdivision for David and Alan Truesdale, 1074 Cain Road, Youngstown; Tax Map 62.00-2-9

A motion to open the public hearing was made by Vice Chairperson Schulze and seconded by Member Tower. All in favor, motion carried.

David and Alan Truesdale were present. Mr. David Truesdale briefly described the subdivision to the audience and explained that currently Mr. Alan Truesdale's house is on the same parcel of land as the farmhouse. This subdivision will allow the separation of land for each house in addition to a future build of a smaller home for Mr. David Truesdale.

Chairperson Collard asked if anyone in the audience had any comments or questions. Neighbor Melvin Gibson asked if the subdivision would stay as private lots/homes and Code Enforcer Jeffery stated they would be single-family homes with 125 feet of road frontage and 300 foot of depth which is larger than the minimum lot size required in the zoning district. Neighbor Anne Gibson asked if there would be sewers installed and Code Enforcer Jeffery stated not at this time and believes that if a home was built it would need to be constructed with a septic system.

Neighbor Pam Kilmer asked if the Truesdale's were intending to sell the farmhouse. Mr. David Truesdale stated that at this time they were not sure what they are going to do with the farmhouse or the other lots. He stated he intends to build a home on one of the lots but did not have plans at this point for the farmhouse or the other parcels.

Code Enforcer Jeffery stated there are 102 acres of land that will stay with the farmhouse in this subdivision. Mr. Gibson explained that he was concerned when he heard the word subdivision, but this seems reasonable. Code Enforcer Jeffery displayed the subdivision to the audience and explained the lot division.

With no further comment from the audience, a motion to close the public hearing was made by Member Tower and seconded by Vice Chairperson Schulze. All in favor, motion carried.

With no further comments or questions from the Board, a motion was made to approve the Minor Subdivision as presented by Vice Chairperson Schulze and seconded by Member Tower.

With no further discussion, roll was called:

Chairperson Collard: Yes

Vice Chairperson Schulze: Yes

Member Fox: Absent Member Tower: Yes Member Ross: Yes

Motion Carried.

Public hearing for Minor Subdivision for Kirk Tower, 1706 Youngstown-Wilson Road, Ransomville; Tax Map 47.00-1-3.112

Duffy Johnston was present to represent Kirk Tower.

A motion to open the public hearing was made by Member Tower and seconded by Vice Chairperson Schulze. All in favor, motion carried.

Mr. Johnston explained that Mr. Tower lives out of state and would like to divide off 5 acres (from his current 12 acres) to include the existing house. The subdivision would create an additional 7 acres parcel that is currently leased to a farmer. He explained that Mr. Tower felt it would be easier to sell as two parcels rather than one 12-acre piece and already has an offer on the parcel with the home.

Code Enforcer Jeffery displayed the property for the audience.

With no further comment from the audience, a motion to close the public hearing was made by Member Tower and seconded by Vice Chairperson Schulze. All in favor, motion carried.

With no further comments or questions from the Board, a motion was made to approve the Minor Subdivision as presented by Vice Chairperson Schulze and seconded by Member Tower.

With no further discussion, roll was called:

Chairperson Collard: Yes Vice Chairperson Schulze: Yes Member Fox: Absent

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Motion Carried.

Correspondence / New / Old / Miscellaneous Business

None.

Attorney Dowd's report

Attorney Dowd was absent.

Code Enforcer Jeffery's report

Code Enforcer Jeffery's report was distributed. A brief discussion of some of the items ensued.

With no further discussion, a motion was made to adjourn the meeting at 7:50 p.m. by Member Tower and seconded by Member Ross. All in favor, motion carried.

Chairperson Collard thanked Town Clerk Hibbard for her due diligence at the meeting.