Meeting called to order at 7:00 pm

Pledge of Allegiance:

Invocation:

Roll Call:
Members Present: Rick Eversole, Aaron Kindel, Dave Kohn, Paul Mason, Robert Richards, Gary Thompson.

Members Absent: None

Public Comment: None

Commission Comment: None

Consent Agenda:
Approve November 5, 2015 regular meeting minutes. Motion by Aaron Kindel to approve November 5, 2015 minutes, second by Robert Richards 6 ayes, 0 nays, motion carried.

Secretary’s Report:
Robert Richards gave secretary’s report on correspondence. Robin says she will bring the zoning ordinances up to date which she has done. All members now have updated zoning ordinance thanks to Robin.

Correspondence was sent requesting the township attorney to be present at our meetings. The initial response was to use the MTA attorney because of cost. Chairman, Dave Kohn and Supervisor Dan Fisk spoke and it was mutually agreed upon that it would best serve our community to have the township attorney present.
Also keeping of animals section 2.13: a request was made to the township Board to possibly place a temporary moratorium on keeping of animals section 2.13 which was turned down but it was suggested to send the 4H resident to Art Ross, I’m sure he can help them for now.

Temporary fencing: was approved by the township board to clarify the language and location in the township ordinance and send back for publication.

Old Business:
Chairman, Dave kohn offered a solution and wording for section 2.3 fencing, should be placed in section 2.3 with two new letters “I” and “J” as outlined in letter dated October 1, 2015 as item 1 and 2. A motion was made by Paul Mason to accept the placing in the township ordinance and was seconded by Aaron Kindel. 6 ayes, 0 nays, motion carried.

Keeping of Animals section 213: The township attorney was present and was given a list of 12 questions which was discussed and during discussion several things were recommended.
1, To see if a representative from the Michigan Department of Agriculture & Rural Development could come and speak on this topic.
2, To hold a joint public meeting with the township board to discuss keeping of animals on residential property and discuss the possibility of revisiting the master plan to correct possible errors and in keeping with the ever-changing township in order to get all points of view, in order to reach a mutual agreement on how to proceed.
3, During discussion it became apparent that Art Ross should attend our meetings for his input. More importantly, he is the Zoning Administrator which any outcome directly affects the zoning.

The township attorney agreed to look into several items and come back next month with a couple different ideas on how to proceed. Note: his presence was a great asset to us.
New Business:
Planning Commission schedule was suggested to keep the same schedule as 2015 for the year 2016 which will be the Reynolds Township Planning Commission will meet the first Thursday of each month at the township hall at 7:00 pm. A motion to accept this proposal by Aaron Kindel and seconded by Paul Mason, 6 ayes, 0 nays, motion carried.

Public Comments:
A person inquired in regards to the duties of the zoning administrator and why he would not enforce a violation when he has seen it and would only enforce the ordinance if a resident filed a complaint. There was some discussion on this matter with no outcome or solution at this time.

Commission Comments: None

Adjourned: 8:35 pm. Aaron Kindel made a motion to adjourn and Paul Mason seconded. 6 ayes, 0 nays, motion carried.

Commission Comments:

Adjourned at 8:40 pm, motion by Aaron Kindel and second by Pete Groendyk, 6 ayes, 0 nays, motion carried.