



GALIEN TOWNSHIP

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Galien Township Planning Commission Special Meeting September 11, 2019 6:30pm @ Galien Township Office Minutes

The meeting was called to order at 6:30pm

Roll Call: Present- S. Golden, J. Rochman, J. Richter, R. Riley, C. Lorange. Absent- None

J. Richter led the Pledge of Allegiance

Public Comments:

Ted Chase: Ted stated that he feels the proposed structure would be classified as A2 occupancy not A3. They will need a sprinkler system and a turn around large enough for the fire trucks to maneuver through.

Anthony Messner: Anthony stated that safety is their #1 priority and they would like to meet with the FD and see what kinds of trucks and equipment they have so they can work together to accommodate access for them.

Matt Messner: Matt said they have been designing the building with A2 safety standards and intend to install a sprinkler system. They feel it will make the clients feel more secure and they want everything to be safe.

Special Use Permit Meeting for Baer Farms: See attached documents provided by Baer Farms.

Planning Commission Discussion of Baer Farms SUP:

C. Lorange asked what type of exterior lighting they planned to have. A: They want it to be as dark as possible yet safe at the same time. The courtyard between the two buildings faces the woods and they will have ground lights there. J. Richter asked what the patio would be when finished. A: Pea gravel or grass. C. Lorange asked what type of lighting they intended to use for the driveways and parking areas. A: Low level and downward facing lights will be used for both. They plan to bus as many people in as possible on small buses. Not greyhounds. C. Lorange asked if they intended to operate year-round. A: They will if they have the bookings. What type of water and sewer system do they intend to have? A: They are still researching both those items but will have whatever is required in the SUP. C. Lorange asked what the hours of operation would be. A: Lights out and guests gone between 11 and 11:30. S. Golden asked how many guests would be attending the events. A: 100-150. He also asked what type of building they were planning. A: CMU or concrete block w/siding. Interior would be wood or steel trusses. Do the Wheelers intend to live on the property? A: Not right away but they will be onsite for every single event.



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Next the PC discussed and voted on each item from Section 3.13 of Section 2.4B. Each Planning Commission member voted YES on each item A-G. J. Richter made a motion to grant Baer Farms a conditional SUP with the understanding they will meet ALL requirements set forth in the SUP. C. Lorance supported. Roll call: Ayes- S. Golden, J. Rochman, J. Richter, R. Riley, C. Lorance. Nays- None. Motion carried.

Public Comments:

Michael Slaboch: Michael stated that he fully supports Baer Farms.

C. Lorance made a motion to adjourn the meeting. J. Rochman supported. Motion carried. No nays.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:30pm