

Call to Order by Kent VanSickle, Chairman

Pledge of Allegiance

Board members present: Debra Huffman, Jerry Buller, Kent VanSickle, Greg Shippell, Todd Hazel, Pete Bailey, Vic Potter Absent: none

Motion made by Vic Potter to approve agenda. Seconded by Pete Bailey. Motion carried.

Motion made by Todd Hazel to approve minutes for February 1, 2023 meeting. Seconded by Jerry Buller. Motion carried.

Communications: none

Old business: Open Public Hearing at 7:08pm. An Ordinance to Amend the Marengo Township Zoning Ordinance-Section 2.02, Definitions; Section 20.09, Duration of Permit; and Section 20.11 Special Land Uses to permit Electric Infrastructure uses, namely high and medium voltage collection and transmission in the AG and LI Districts.

Representative, Steve Estey, explained the proposed Electric Infrastructure plan. Including the request for an Amendment to the Zoning Ordinance. At this time there is no Ordinance for Electrical Infrastructure within the Marengo Township Zoning Ordinance.

Public Comment 7:25pm: Concern for safety of township residents due to high voltage request. Concerns of the route which the power lines would be installed. Marengo Township attorney, Matt Kuschel, reviewed the proposed Amendment to the Zoning Ordinance in detail. A Special Land Use Permit would be required for any company to proceed.

Motion made by Vic Potter to approve Amendment to Marengo Township Zoning Ordinance, document #04758206. Motion seconded by Todd Hazel. Discussion. Board roll call vote. Yeas: Jerry Buller, Kent VanSickle, Greg Shippell, Todd Hazel, Pete Bailey, Vic Potter, Debra Huffman. Nays: none. Absent: none

New business: Robert Toland presented draft for zoning of Self-service storage facility. Discussion. Robert Toland will make changes and provide updated zoning language at next meeting.

Motion made by Jerry Buller to set a Public Hearing on April 5, 2023 to approve Article 2, Definitions of Self-service storage facility and Article 20 Special Land Uses. Motion seconded by Vic Potter. All votes yes, motion carried.

Chris Hamilton, Zoning Administrator, discussed properties within Marengo Township that are out of compliance with the Zoning Ordinance.

Commissioner comments: none

Public comment: Requested to check zoning of gravel pits within the township. Requires Special Land Use Permit.

Motion made by Vic Potter to adjourn. Seconded by Jerry Buller. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:15pm.

Public Hearing and next regular meeting will be Wednesday, April 5, 2023 at 6:00pm.

Debra Huffman, Secretary

