

LONDON TOWNSHIP  
Planning Commission Meeting  
As recorded by Amanda Taepke  
Monday, October 2, 2017

**Chairman Daryl Nichols** called the meeting to order at 7:30pm and lead the audience in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Roll Call:**

Daryl Nichols – Present	Pam Ackerman – Present
Penny Turner – Present	Doug Darling – Present
James Turner – Excused	Richard Horn – Present
Larry Fiebelkorn – Present	Richard Magnus – Present
LeRoy Zieske – Present	

**Approval of the Agenda:**

Motion by **Doug Darling** and seconded by **Richard Horn** to accept the Agenda with the additions of minutes to approve from August 7, 2017 and September 7, 2017 meetings.

All in favor: 8      Opposed: 0

**Approval of Minutes:**

Motion by **LeRoy Zieske** and seconded by **Richard Horn** to approve the minutes from the following meetings: June 5, 2017, June 26, 2017, July 24, 2017, August 7, 2017, and September 7, 2017, with no additions or corrections.

**1<sup>st</sup> Citizens' Time:**

Barb Henley questioned why the minutes were not approved prior to this meeting. It was explained that some of those minutes were from special meetings held specifically for special use applications, and at the last regularly scheduled meeting, some of the members did not receive the minutes in time to review them.

Ms. Henley also asked how the special meetings are publicized. She was told that it is posted in the newspaper, along with at the Township Hall and several stores in the area.

## **Old Buisness:**

### 1. Zoning Review

Chairman Nichols wanted to review the pond ordinance (Section 5.605) to assure their changes were noted so they could move on to the other two ordinances they need to review (extraction and fill ordinance).

All members were provided neighboring township's pond ordinances to review and compare. When they discussed pond size, many members pointed out the amount allowed within other townships.

Motion by **Larry Fiebelkorn** and seconded by **Penny Turner** to have pond size regulated to 20% with the maximum of five (5) acres.

All in favor: 8                      Opposed: 0

LeRoy Zieske suggested the applicant show the location of existing field tiles on the site plan. The rest of the commission agreed.

There were questions about including a requirement for the applicant/contractor to supply their excavation license. Chairman Nichols said he would speak with the Township Engineer, David Kubiske, regarding this.

The commissioners spoke extensively about the time frame in which an applicant has to complete their pond. The surrounding townships had differing time periods. Some of the commissioners agreed 180 days (which is what the proposed ordinance allows) is not enough time to finish the project, so they spoke about extending that to 365 days.

At the next scheduled meeting, Chairman Nichols said they will address the other two (2) ordinances; extracting ordinance and fill ordinance. He also requested that Dave Friend supply the Planning Commission with those ordinances from other townships so the commissioners can review and compare just as they did with the pond ordinance.

## **2<sup>nd</sup> Citizens' Time:**

A resident was wondering if the Planning Commission was going to create and adopt an ordinance concerning Medical Marijuana Facilities within the township. Chairman Nichols advised him to request to be on the agenda at the next regularly scheduled meeting to give a presentation and help to inform the commissioners for when they do address that issue. However, their focus is on the current ordinances they are working on.

Motion by **Richard Horn** and seconded by **Doug Darling** to adjourn.

All in favor: 8                      Opposed: 0

**Meeting adjourned at approximately 10:21p.m.**

**Workshop scheduled for November 6, 2017 at 7:30pm.**

Respectfully Submitted by Amanda Taepke