

FILLMORE TOWNSHIP

ESTABLISHED 1849

ALLEGAN COUNTY

FILLMORE TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION

June 29, 2020 7PM

**1. Call to Order.**

Chairman Mike Dozeman called the meeting to order, Fred VanTubergen opened with prayer and led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**2. Roll Call.**

Members Present: Mike Dozeman, Fred VanTubergen, Chuck Schaap and David Brink.

Members Absent: Rod VanGelder was absent with notice.

Public Attendance: Supervisor Ken DeWeerd, Fillmore Township Planner Ken Dettloff and 5 residents.

**3. Late Agenda Items.**

None.

**4. Public Hearings.**

Chairman Dozeman read the Public Notice as it recently appeared in the Holland Sentinel.

A Motion was brought by David Brink and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Fred VanTubergen to open the public hearings.

Both public hearings pertain to rezoning requests by property owners of five parcels located west of Blue Star Highway, south of 140<sup>th</sup> Ave., at approximately 3968 Blue Star Hwy. Current zoning is A-1 Agricultural. Requests are to change to C-2 Commercial. Both requests fit the Fillmore Township Land Use Plan.

- a. Rick Bareman, owner of parcels #0306-030-033-10, #0306-030-034-10 and #0306-030-034-20 stated that his son-in-law Brent Utter, also being present, plans to operate his landscaping company, including retail sale on the property.

No one spoke in opposition.

A Motion was brought by Fred VanTubergen and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Chuck Schaap to recommend rezoning as requested.

PASSED 4-0.

- b. Cory Gritter, owner of parcel #0306-030-034-00 and #0306-030-034-30 state that his plans are to live on the property and operate an event center.

The Planning Commission questions and comments pertained to the depth of the commercial zoning. The Land Use Plan shows a depth of 660ft, while the depth of parcel #0306-034-00 is beyond 660 ft. west of Blue Starr Hwy. Mr. Gritter stated that he is requesting commercial zoning on the parcel so as to locate the event center back from the road for greater privacy.

The parcel is currently wooded and has not been in agricultural production.

Fillmore Township Planner Ken Dettloff explained that the Lan Use Plan is intended as a guide to future zoning, but exact dimensions of the zoning map are allowed to differ from the plan.

No one spoke in opposition.

A Motion was brought by Chuck Schaap and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Fred VanTubergen to recommend rezoning as requested for parcel #0306-030-034-30 and the east 1320 ft. of parcel #0306-030-034-00.

PASSED 4-0.

**5. Supervisor Update.**

- a. Proposed Zoning Ordinance amendment for changing definitions and allowable usages pertaining to Bed & Breakfast and Air BNB is scheduled for Public Hearing on August 10, 2020. Ken Dettloff will prepare a public notice and complete text of the proposed changes.

- b. Rezoning request by Mark Geurink for a parcel on 141<sup>st</sup> Ave. west of Blue Star Hwy. Public Hearing for this request scheduled for August 10, 2020.

**6. Fillmore Township Planning Commission Minutes June 8, 2020.**

Upon review of the June 8, 2020 minutes;

A Motion was brought by Fred VanTubergen and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Chuck Schaap to approve the minutes as presented.

PASSED 4-0.

**7. Adjourn.**

There being no other business brought to the Fillmore Township Planning Commission;

A Motion was brought by Chuck Schaap and 2<sup>nd</sup> by David Brink to adjourn the meeting at 8:10pm.

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Respectfully Submitted,  
David Brink, Secretary  
Fillmore Township Planning Commission