

**Barry County Planning Commission  
Minutes  
July 24, 2017**

The meeting was called to order by Clyde Morgan at 7:00 p.m. in the Community Room of the Tyden Building located at 121 S. Church Street in Hastings. The Planning Commission members in attendance included: Clyde Morgan, Jack Miner, Michael Barney, Ben Geiger, Robert Vanderboegh, and Jack Nadwornik. Those also in attendance were James McManus, Gerald Arnsman, and Mr. and Mrs. Shawn Freeland.

Motion by Nadwornik to approve the agenda as printed. Support by Barney. All ayes – motion carried.

The minutes of May 22, 2017 were reviewed by the Planning Commission. Motion by Barney to approve the Minutes as printed. Support by Geiger. All ayes-motion carried.

**BUSINESS**

Morgan explained the procedures of a public hearing.

Levi Bolthouse entered the meeting at 7:05 p.m.

**SPECIAL USES**

**SP-7-2017**

**Arnsman Septic & Excavating (Applicant)  
Joseph Kiraly (Owner)**

Morgan recessed the Planning Commission, opened the public hearing, and asked Arnsman to present the request.

Arnsman noted they are withdrawing the request due to the health of the owner.

The Planning Commission acknowledged the withdrawal.

**SP-8-2017**

**Shawn Freeland (Property Owner)**

Morgan recessed the Planning Commission, opened the public hearing, and asked Freeland to present the request.

Freeland submitted the Health Department evaluation to the Planning Commission and noted they want to build a separate residence for their son who will work on the farm. They noted the home will be 536 square feet. They said he has another job as well. Mrs. Freeland said she gets migraines, and he can help drive her around.

Morgan asked if anyone wished to speak in favor of the request. There was no response. Morgan asked if anyone was opposed. There was no response.

Morgan closed the public hearing and reconvened the Planning Commission.

Barney asked for a staff report. McManus noted the house size met the requirements.

Barney asked about the well. Freeland said they would be sharing the well, but the new home would have its own septic system. Freeland noted water is already piped to the stable.

Barney asked about the crawl space. Freeland noted they may go with a concrete slab.

Geiger asked about laundry facilities. Freeland said all of the laundry would be done at the main house.

Geiger asked about future plans. Freeland said they hoped her parents would stay there in the future.

Motion by Geiger to approve Case No. SP-8-2017 per Section 2302, parts 1-7 of the Barry County Zoning Ordinance. Support by Barney. Roll call vote taken: 7 ayes – 0 nays – motion carried. Special Use approved.

**FARMLAND AGREEMENT**

**#17-03**

**Timothy Tobias**

McManus noted the property was located in Castleton Township and is zoned and planned Agriculture. He noted the property is 30 acres in size of which 23 are tillable.

Morgan noted that Part III, Question 12, the mineral rights lease answer was not checked.

Motion by Vanderboegh to recommend approval of request #17-03 to the Board of Commissioners. Support by Barney. All ayes. Motion carried.

**MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS**

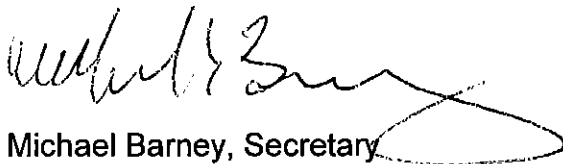
McManus noted they had received a Notice of Plan Amendment from Wayland Township.

McManus noted they had completed the self assessment with Barry Township for the Redevelopment Ready Community Requirements. He noted the Master Plan will need to be amended so that the township can qualify for the designation.

Motion by Geiger to adjourn. Support by Vanderboegh. All ayes – motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 7:26 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,



Michael Barney, Secretary