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TOWN OF BENTON PLANNING MEETING
April 22, 2025

PRESENT: Crystal Tomion; Rich Meyer; Matthew Perry; Steve Hullings; and Jeff Eckert

ABSENT: None

Also Present: Glen Quackenbush, Town Councilman; John Grzeskowiak; Amos Zimmerman; Carolyn Zimmerman; Jeremiah Tomion - Alternate; Tom Fulkrod, Code Enforcement Officer; and Michael Peacock, Recording Secretary.

Crystal Tomion called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

MINUTES APPROVAL:

Meyer made a motion to approve the previous month's minutes as written, Perry seconded the motion. All in Favor.

Appeal#19SUP-25:

SBA communications is adding an antenna to the already existing cell tower. The board had postponed this from last month while waiting on some further information regarding the weight of the tower. Fulkrod explained to the board where they can find that information about the tower being able to hold a certain amount of weight. It was determined that weight will not be an issue.

Appeal#72SUP-25:

Amos Zimmerman is looking to build a grocery store on Thistle street. Amos and Carolyn Zimmerman were both present and spoke about the project. Building plans were presented. The board asked questions about the driveway and future parking lot and about what buildings will stay and what will come down on the property. Fulkrod talked about where the drainage was located.

FINAL

Hullings made a motion to accept the proposal as presented. Perry seconded the motion. All in favor.

Appeal#78SUB-25:

Vaughan farms is looking to have a subdivision. Plans were presented to the board. This would be splitting a farm into two lots. One 33 acres and the second 80 acres. There were no further questions asked by the board.

FINAL

Hullings made a motion to accept the proposal as presented. Meyer seconded the motion. All in favor.

OTHER BUSINESS:

Kathy Ferron of Finger Lakes Rail Riders is asking about a septic system. The board discussed the possibility, and asked Tom Fulkrod to go and speak to Kathy Ferron and get more information and see if she can come and speak to the board.

Horning-Martin solar project is proposing a different type of tree for screening. Information on both trees were presented. Meyer made a motion to accept the change in tree, Eckart seconded the motion. All in favor.

Fulkrod discussed some upcoming training for board members.

CLOSING:

Meyer made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Perry seconded the motion. All in favor.

Meeting adjourned at 7:48pm

Respectfully submitted,

Michael Peacock
Recording Secretary