

Oneida Charter Township  
Planning Commission

AGENDA

Tuesday, November 3, 2015

7:30 p.m.

1. Call meeting to order
2. Approval of agenda
3. Minutes of October 6, 2015
4. Review of Proposed Solicitation Ordinance for recommendations to Board of Trustees
5. Any other business
6. Adjourn meeting

**ONEIDA CHARTER TOWNSHIP  
PLANNING COMMISSION MINUTES  
NOVEMBER 3, 2015**

**MEMBERS PRESENT: CHAIRMAN LAWRY, MEMBERS  
SCHERER, GREEN, WALTERS, SCHROEDER, STARR AND SCHULTZ**

**MEMBERS EXCUSED: NONE**

**OTHERS PRESENT: ZONING ADMINISTRATOR GOSCHKA,**

1. Chairman Lawry called meeting to order at 7:30 P.M.
2. Approval of Agenda, Motion was made by Mrs. Schultz and supported by Mrs. Scherer. Motion Carried.
3. Minutes of October 6, 2015. Motion was made by Mrs. Schroeder to approve the minutes as amended. Support was given by Mr. Starr. Motion Carried.
4. Review of Proposed Solicitation Ordinance was opened by Chairman Lawry. Mrs. Schultz said that she found paragraph c., page 6 to be rather confusing. Starting with the fourth line, (If licensee requests a Hearing, The Township shall hold a hearing at which the Township Supervisor shall preside, to determine whether the license should be revoked. The Township Supervisor may continue the suspension, revoke, or reinstate the license. If no request for such a Hearing is made within the specified time, the license shall automatically be revoked. Any decision of the Township Supervisor may be appealed by written application, to the Township Board.) She did not understand why a Township Hearing would be held if only the Supervisor was making the decision. After discussion by the Board it was decided that it should be changed to (If licensee requests a Hearing the Supervisor shall hold such Hearing to determine whether the

license should be revoked. The Supervisor may continue the suspension, revoke or reinstate the license. If no request for such a Hearing is made within the specified time, the license shall automatically be revoked. Any decision of the Township Supervisor may be appealed, by written application to the Township Board.) The Board agreed with these changes.

There was discussion by Zoning Administrator Goschka on whether this would be a Township Ordinance or a Zoning Ordinance. She explained that the Draft the Board was reviewing was put together by the Township Attorney. She also noted that she had looked at Ordinances from other areas and discussed how to enforce the proposed Ordinance. It would be a difficult Ordinance to enforce.

There was discussion by Mr. Green on removing (state licensed insurance and real estate agents). Also on page 2. Top paragraph, line 3, the word meeting should be meetings. Line 10. that sentence shall end at business. The word except shall be removed and the next Sentence will begin with Capital No person, firm etc. The Board agreed to these changes.

Mr. Walters asked if the solicitors would have Identification or a Badge? There was discussion on how to accomplish this and also discussion on the size of the 2 photographs requested in the Ordinance. There was further discussion on the size of the license and possibly a lanyard to be worn by the Licensee. The cost of such Identification and the fees were discussed. It was felt that a pictured ID of some sort should be carried by the Licensee.

Mr. Starr asked if there had been complaints about Solicitors. Zoning Administrator Goschka said that there had been, one

resident from Willow Hills Subdivision who had attended the Meeting of the Planning Commission to discuss the problem and how it was leading to suspected robberies.

After discussion, changes on Page 3. a. Omit (and a description).

e. Add (or services) after the word goods. i. Omit (Unless a photocopy of the applicant's driver's license is adequate to provide positive identification of the applicant,) also change the photograph size to (a minimum) two (2) inches by two (2) inches.

Page 4. Section 8. DISPLAY OF LICENSE. b. his or her will be changed to (his/her).

Page 5. Section 10. HOURS OF OPERATION. The Board felt that the hours should be changed to 9:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Chairman Lawry asked what the process would be for adoption. Zoning Administrator Goschka said the Proposed Ordinance would go back to the Attorney for review and corrections and then to the Township Board.

After all discussion, Motion was made by Mr. Green and supported by Mr. Walters to accept all corrections and changes made by the Board if approved by the Township Attorney and recommend approval to the Township Board.

5. Other Business: Zoning Administrator Goschka discussed with the Board Information regarding the City of Grand Ledge wanting to extend the pedestrian walkway to Fitzgerald Park. They had not contacted the Township they had contacted the Road Commission who had contacted the Township Supervisor.

The proposed extension would involve Township Land, because they do not want to go out to the point at M-43 and Jefferson Hwy. They would like to cut through somewhere before there and not have to go way out and cut back. Mr. Green wondered if possibly the church would donate land for that purpose. Mrs. Schultz said they had been asked in the past and said no.

Zoning Administrator Goschka said they were many things to be considered, Who is funding the project? Are Grant Funds Available? Who would repair and maintain the walkway? And who would provide snow removal?

Zoning Administrator Goschka also discussed with the Board information from Mr. Brunton, regarding sidewalk from Fieldstone Farms, Sweetwater Pines and Brookshire Estates to the Crossing at Jenne Street. He told her of an organization called Safe Routes 2 School, to contact in regards to getting a grant for this type of project. For this project there would be the same questions as to who would maintain, who would be responsible for getting the Grant and who would run the project and of course snow removal.

Chairman Lawry asked if there would be a Crossing Guard. Zoning Administrator Goschka brought both of the items for Informational purposes and did not have that information at this time.

The Board thought the sidewalk project was worth having Zoning Administrator Goschka pursue.

Chairman Lawry asked if there was any other Business at this time. There was none. Motion to adjourn was made by Mr.

Walters and supported by Mr. Green. Motion Carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:35 p.m.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Jan Schultz.

APPROVED:

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Michael Walters". The signature is written in a cursive style with a horizontal line underneath it.

Madelyne Lawry, Chairman.

Michael Walters  
effective 4/5/2016