BANKS TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING MINUTE OCT. 11, 2001 7:30 P.M.

CALL TO ORDER: 7:30 P.M. by Chairman Rudy Passehl

MEMBERS PRESENT: Kessler, Rubingh, Passehl, Williams, Ritsema

PUBLIC PRESENT: None

MINUTES OF AUGUST MEETING: Approved as written (Williams/Rubingh)

CORRESPONDENCE: none

OLD BUSINESS: Zoning Ordinance Amendments

Marv Rubingh conveyed the following areas of concern from the Township Board:

- 1. **Definitions**: MMSC (Williams/Rubingh) that we delete "and not greater than 300 ft. in length" from the definition of private driveways.
- 2. Right of way. We decided to leave it as originally submitted because when the term "right of way" is subsequently used, it is used in a general usage setting only.
- 3. Section 6, Article IV, Section 4.23.2a4. MMSC (Kessler, Williams) to make following minor wording changes:

"Such conveyances shall:

- a. Provide for the privately owned open space to be maintained and the provisions of the conservation easement or deed restriction to be enforced by the private property owners.
- b. no change
- c. Grant the Township the right, but not the obligation, to enforce the provisions of the conservation easement or deed restriction, if in the Township's opinion such provisions are not adequately enforced by the property owners.
- 4. **Section 8 Co-Location** Currently, co-location is not identified as separate from the general tower provision. The Board felt it should hear from the attorney on whether or not a public hearing is required. M. Rubingh will call the attorney to see if the wording needs to be clarified.

MMSC (Ritsema, Kessler) that the Banks Township Planning Commission send a recommendation to the Banks Township Board that they adopt the Banks Township Zoning ordinances as revised, subject to the opinion of the township attorney on clarification of Section 8 dealing with co-location of antenna on communication towers.

The remaining two concerns that the Banks Township asked the Planning Commission to consider were

1. That the restrictions on RV or camper parking on private land should be relaxed. We feel that people should be able to come up and use their property for vacation. If this restriction does not reflect the will of the people of the Township, people need to bring their concerns to the Board.

2. That the restrictions on accessory structures should be relaxed: We would appreciate knowing the rationale behind this request.—is it specifically for a preponderance of people who want to build a garage to store their recreation equipment, or what?

We asked Marv to commend the Township Board for their careful analysis of our amendments.

NEW BUSINESS: NONE

Meeting Adjourned, 10:00 P.M.

Irene Shooks, Recording Sec'y