

**BRIDGEWATER TOWNSHIP**  
**PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING**  
*Bridgewater Township Government Center*  
*Thursday, November 1, 2018*  
*Official Minutes*

- ❖ John Klockeman called the meeting to order at 8:00
- ❖ Members present were John Klockeman, Bruce Morlan, Ray Larson, Larry Alderks, Jeff Johnson, Frances Boehning, John Holden, Carolyn Braun, and Jim Braun.
- ❖ Bruce Morlan made a motion to approve the agenda, Ray Larson seconded, all approved.
- ❖ Ray Larson made a motion to approve the minutes of September 27, 2018, Jeff Johnson seconded, all approved.
  
- ❖ Open Forum: None.
  
- ❖ Public Hearings: None.
  
- ❖ Old Business – None.
  
- ❖ New Business
  - Brief update on the Codification process.
    - Carolyn Braun presented the code with changes.
      - Included in the changes were requests made during past meetings.
      - A public hearing will be needed for the zoning changes. A notice will be placed for a public hearing in November.
      - Code changes that have been made by the county and state have been included in the new update.
      - Clerical errors are being reviewed and corrected.
      - Following the public hearing in late November, the Codification will go before the board in December.
      - Carolyn Braun advised reviewing the code by chapter as it is very long.
  - Temporary Portable Structures
    - Jim Braun reviewed the restrictions placed on temporary portable structures by other areas.
      - His findings show that other areas do not allow these types of structures on less than a ½ acre.
      - Mr. Braun advised the Commission to wait and see if the county would allow the township to have small sub-divisions.

❖ Miscellaneous:

- Geronimo project
  - The project is waiting for Rice Cty SWCD to test the soil prior to beginning. The application for the solar farm should come in for the January Planning Commission meeting.
  
- Update on clean-up actions
  - Jim Braun reviewed the efforts to date to get the properties on Armstrong Rd and Edgebrook cleaned up. He noted that both residents are hoarders and asked the commission if there were any other avenues that we could pursue as this is considered an illness.
  - It was decided that as long as the issue is confined to the inside of the house and does not affect others, the township would not pursue legal action.
  
- Annexation Case Update
  - Carolyn Braun is continuing to watch the current annexation court case and will keep the Commission updated.
- Other:
  - Jim Braun reviewed the land issue in Lower Oak Hills.
    - Walter Schimer agreed to give Jamie Weir an easement for part of her driveway that is within his property.
  - John Klockeman asked if there are any buildings that should be inspected due to storm damage from the September tornadoes.
    - Jim Braun will drive the township next week to check for storm damage and follow up on how many roofs need repair.

❖ Adjourn – Jeff Johnson made a motion to adjourn at 8:30pm, Bruce Morlan seconded, all approved.