

**Columbia Township Planning Commission Meeting**

Meeting of:

Tuesday April 10th, 2001 7:30pm

Meeting called to order.

Members present: Holstrom, Gaede, Wahr, Parker, Chaired by Watkins

Members absent: May

Consideration: Conditional Use Permit for Kevin Szymczyk for a Horse Arena Facility at/near 3500 Reed Road. Presentation by Kevin Szymczyk in regard to his proposed operations. (note that this was a verbal orientation without benefit of support material such as site, business and criteria plan.)

Concern residents expressed their opinions:

Steven Wendry (as well as his letter on file)

9316 Vining St. (recently purchased 250 by 250 lot that is 'horseshoed' by parcel of property anticipated to be part of this complex.

Arthur Doelker
3498 Reed Rd.Greg Wright
3498 Reed Rd.Linda Lower
5099 Reed Rd.

Above concerned residents expressed their concern with:

- * anticipated traffic volume
- * anticipated ecological concerns with manure as well as wetland interference.
- * lack of thoughtfulness coexisting with existing neighbors.
- * lack of business plan on the part of Mr. Szymczyk.
- * expressed their concern for the unknown & unexpected variables in the operations of this type of function.
- * finalized anticipated additional land parcel acquisitions

Chairperson Watkins read the criteria of conditional use permit as well as purposes of designated ag land. It appeared that this parcel would fit within the conditional uses criteria upon approval.

After extended discussions with residents & commission a motion was given for consideration.

Motion by Ray Kuzminski. That this commission reconvene May 8th at 7:30pm. That Mr. Szymczyk bring to that meeting the following: a) a site plan b) a defined business plan c) his property use criteria (I.E. manure maint. schedule, hours of operation, days of operation, horse boarding/range issues, employee count., but not limited to these issues) d. his consideration of placement of the arena onto his adjoining 20 acre tract to appease neighbors concerns.

Seconded by Wahr

Voted upon, all in favor.

It was also spoken that communication between residents would be encouraged to promote the satisfaction of all before next meeting.

Approval of the Minutes of the February 27, 2001 meeting approval by all in attendance.

Secretary

Ray T Kuzminski