Schoolcraft Township Planning Commission

Minutes of the meeting held on Monday, June 4, 2012

A meeting of the Schoolcraft Township Planning Commission was held on Monday, June 4, 2012, at the Schoolcraft Township Hall commencing at 7:00 pm.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

David Aubry Ron Avis Charles Bibart Len Jaworski Dave Reno Barry Visel

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Ken Hovenkamp

OTHER ATTENDEES:

Attorney Rolfe Supervisor Ulsh Ryan Hunter

Chairman Visel opened the meeting at 7:00 pm.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

A motion was made by Len Jaworski with support from Dave Reno to approve the agenda as issued.

Motion carried 6-0

MINUTES OF PRIOR MEETING:

A motion was made by Dave Reno and supported by Ron Avis to approve the minutes of the May 7, 2012 meeting, without correction.

Motion carried 6-0

CITIZEN TIME ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS:

No items were discussed.

NEW BUSINESS

a. Amended Site Plan Review for H & H Feed

Ryan Hunter was present to update the H&H Feed site plan with an increase in the width of the new office area from 14 to 20 feet. The amended site plan was deemed to meet requirements. A motion to approve the site plan was made by Len Jaworski with support from Dave Aubry.

Motion carried 6-0

b. Township Attorney information on recent amendments of MZEA and Michigan Supreme Court decision on municipal responsibility for private septic system failures.

Attorney Rolfe updated the Commission on recent MZEA amendments with potential impact on planning and zoning activity involving guidance on land use for biofuel production, aggregate mining, and cell phone towers. Attorney Rolfe also updated the Commission on the recent Michigan Supreme Court decision concerning municipal responsibility for private septic system failures.

OLD BUSINESS

a. Continuing discussion: commercial and industrial zoning

The Commission continued discussion on Attorney Rolfe's 4/27/12 memo addressing Local Industrial and US 131 Corridor Business Districts draft ordinance language. Discussion focused on section 17.6 concerning US 131 access issues. The Commission found the proposed language acceptable as written.

Attorney Rolfe will update the proposed draft language for residential, commercial, and industrial districts for review at our July meeting in preparation for a possible public hearing at our August meeting.

REPORT FROM THE TOWNSHIP BOARD

No report was received.

REPORT FROM THE ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

No report was received.

MEMBER'S TIME AND TOWNSHIP ATTORNEY TIME

No issues were discussed.

With no further business, Chairman Visel adjourned the meeting at 8:12 pm.

Respectfully Submitted Charle Belat

Charles Bibart

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