Schoolcraft Township Planning Commission

Minutes of the meeting held on March 1, 2010

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

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Ron Avis Charles Bibart Guy Golomb Ken Hovenkamp Len Jaworski Dave Reno Barry Visel

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Jim Shaw

Beverly Snyder

OTHER ATTENDEES:

Attorney Rolfe

Chairman Visel opened the meeting at 7:00 pm.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

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

Motion carried 7-0

MINUTES OF PRIOR MEETING:

A motion was made by Guy Golomb and supported by Ron Avis to approve the minutes of the February 1, 2010 meeting, without correction.

Motion carried 7-0

CITIZEN TIME ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS:

Schoolcraft Township resident Kent McCauly discussed with the Commission members a pending application to rezone a portion of a parcel owned by The Mill of South County, LLC. The Planning Commission will hold a public hearing on the application at its April 5, 2010 meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

a. Site Plan Review-Mike McCormick Building

Steve Siegwart from Michigan Township Services Southwest was present to help the Commission review the McCormick site plan. No one was present on behalf of the applicant. After much discussion the Commission determined that the plan submitted lacked sufficient detail to be approved and requested Steve convey the need for additional detail to Mr. McCormick.

b. Planning Commission Meetings for the coming year

Attorney Rolfe presented a resolution containing the proposed planning commission regular meeting dates for the fiscal year beginning April, 2010. All regular meetings will be the first Monday of each month except the months of July and September when the meeting will be the second Monday. Regular meetings begin at 7:00 pm at the Township Hall. Dave Reno made a motion to approve the resolution with support from Len Jaworski.

Motion carried 7-0

OLD BUSINESS

a. Annual Elections

After significant discussion about workload redistribution throughout the Commission, the following slate of officers for 2010 was nominated, agreeable to serve, and elected by unanimous vote:

Chairman.....Barry Visel
Vice Chairman....David Reno
Secretary.....Charles Bibart

b. Ag Zoning: Continued discussion on language and map

The Commission reviewed in depth the draft text prepared by Attorney Rolfe for Ag zoning, integrating input from our last meeting. Much discussion revolved around achieving a reasonable density balance for New Non-Farm Single-Family dwellings in Non-Productive Land areas. Discussion will resume at our next meeting.

REPORT FROM THE TOWNSHIP BOARD

Ken Hovenkamp updated the Commission on a weed abatement program for Sunset Lake like the Barton Lake program.

REPORT FROM THE ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

No report was received.

MEMBER'S TIME AND TOWNSHIP ATTORNEY TIME

Chairman Visel reminded the Commission of Village of Vicksburg's public hearing for review of their new master plan scheduled for March 10, 2010 at 6:30 pm at the Vicksburg Community Center.

With no further business, Chairman Visel adjourned the meeting at 9:15 pm. Charles Bilant

Respectfully Submitted Charles Bibart

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