

# Schoolcraft Township Planning Commission

Minutes of the meeting held on Monday, January 7, 2013

A meeting of the Schoolcraft Township Planning Commission was held on Monday, January 7, 2013, at the Schoolcraft Township Hall commencing at 7:00 pm.

## MEMBERS PRESENT:

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

## MEMBERS ABSENT:

## OTHER ATTENDEES:

Attorney Rolfe  
Supervisor Ulsh

Chairman Visel opened the meeting at 7:05pm.

## **APPROVAL OF AGENDA:**

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

**Motion carried 7-0**

## **MINUTES OF PRIOR MEETING:**

A motion was made by Ken Hovenkamp and supported by Len Jaworski to approve the minutes of the December 3, 2012, meeting, without correction.

**Motion carried 7-0**

## **CITIZEN TIME ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS:**

No items were discussed.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

No items were discussed

## **OLD BUSINESS**

### a. Continuing ordinance review-additional items discussion

Commission members reviewed and discussed several ordinance related issues, many arising from the 2009 LSL technical review.

Attorney Rolfe reviewed the LSL recommendations which had been integrated into our current ordinance language and those that had not been included. Commission members generally favored Attorney Rolfe's recommendations on inclusion/exclusion of the LSL items in our zoning ordinance.

In addition to the LSL items, Commission members discussed unaddressed issues that have previously arisen. The Commission generally favored addressing residential parking issues through township ordinance, as opposed to the zoning ordinance. Commission members favored tabling the secondary dwelling issue at this point. Three items were identified for further review by the Commission for possible proposed ordinance adjustments: providing greater flexibility for home based businesses, placement of accessory buildings on larger lots, and erecting accessory buildings on lots which have no residential buildings

Attorney Rolfe will determine what ordinance language might be available from other townships addressing these issues for discussion at our next meeting.

## **REPORT FROM THE TOWNSHIP BOARD**

Ken Hovenkamp updated the Commission on activities of the Board including extension of the Barton Lake special assessment, the Webber School restoration, and appointment of a steering committee to address the walking trail proposals.

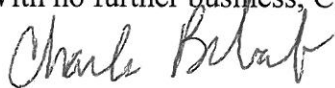
## **REPORT FROM THE ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS**

No report was received.

## **MEMBER'S TIME AND TOWNSHIP ATTORNEY TIME**

No items were discussed.

With no further business, Chairman Visel adjourned the meeting at 8:55 pm.



Respectfully Submitted

Charles Bibart

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