

# Schoolcraft Township Planning Commission

Minutes of the meeting held on Monday, December 5, 2011

A meeting of the Schoolcraft Township Planning Commission was held on Monday, December 5, 2011, 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

Chairman Visel opened the meeting at 7:00 pm.

## **APPROVAL OF AGENDA:**

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

**Motion carried 7-0**

## **MINUTES OF PRIOR MEETING:**

A motion was made by Ken Hovenkamp and supported by Dave Reno to approve the minutes of the November 7, 2011 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 discussion: residential text and map

Commission members discussed several parcels currently zoned residential to assure alignment with the Master Plan. At our January meeting, Commission members will come prepared to discuss and recommend any changes to the Residential Zoning Text; including Statement of Purpose, Permitted Uses, and Special Exception Uses. Proposed changes to Residential Text and Map will be finalized at our January meeting. Attorney Rolfe will review recommendations from our planning consultant concerning residential zoning.

- b. Initial considerations: Commercial Text and Map

The Commission initiated discussions concerning commercial parcels. As recommended by Attorney Rolfe, the Planning Commission should consider reducing the number of commercial and industrial classifications, in line with our Master Plan. At our January meeting, Commission members will come prepared to discuss and recommend changes to the Commercial and Industrial Zoning Text; including Statement of Purpose, Permitted Uses, and Special Exception Uses.

## **REPORT FROM THE TOWNSHIP BOARD**

Ken Hovenkamp updated the Commission on activities of the Board including discussions with KCRC members on mail box requirements and the appointment of a Township Board level committee to assess the need of road repairs in the Township.

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

No report was received.

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

Discussion was held on "fine tuning" the Master Plan Future Land Use Map (Map 8) with small adjustments suggested by current Zoning Text and Map discussions. The Commission favored compilation of proposed changes with any proposed action initiated after completion of all Zoning Text and Map activities. Attorney Rolfe noted that any proposed adjustments to Map 8 will necessarily open the Master Plan to other state mandated considerations and changes.

With no further business, Chairman Visel adjourned the meeting at 8:25 pm.



Respectfully Submitted

Charles Bibart

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