

<p style="text-align: center;"> YANKEE SPRINGS TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION Regular Meeting <u>Thursday, December 15, 2016</u> Yankee Springs Township Hall 284 North Briggs Road, Middleville, Michigan 49333 MINUTES </p>	<p> MINUTES Page 1 of 3 APPROVED: <i>tk</i> </p>
<p> Meeting called to order at 7:00 PM by Chairman Frank Fiala. <u>PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE</u> <u>Roll Call: Present:</u> Heystek, Purcell, Fiala, Beukema, T. Knowles. <u>Absent:</u> Strickland (absent with notice) <u>Also Present:</u> Rebecca Harvey, Professional Planner <u>Staff Present:</u> Zoning Administrator- Larry Knowles, Ron Heilman <u>Visitors:</u> 3 (not including staff present). </p>	<p> CALL TO ORDER PLEDGE ROLL CALL </p>
<p> <u>APPROVAL OF AGENDA:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Add:</u> Come up with 2 or 3 dates for possible Joint Meeting dates. • <u>Add:</u> Medical Marijuana </p> <p> <u>REPORTS from REPRESENTATIVES:</u> <u>Board of Trustees-</u> A New Board Rep has not been appointed yet. <u>ZBA- Richard Beukema:</u> A ZBA meeting was held on Tuesday, Dec. 13th involving road setback on Patterson. An old garage came down (storm damage) and new one built in same place. Variance was granted with a 3 to 2 vote. R. Beukema mentioned that he'd like to see attention paid to the ordinance pertaining to rebuilding nonconforming structures if they're destroyed. Beukema also noted the new conference phone system worked well with two ZBA members calling in. <u>Zoning Administrator: Larry Knowles-</u> commented building is still going strong. </p>	<p> CHANGES TO AGENDA: BOARD REPORTS from REPRESENTATIVES </p>
<p> <u>PUBLIC COMMENT:</u> Frank Fiala mentioned <u>The Sun & News</u> article regarding the Citizen's Planner Program. G. Purcell noted that the Twp. Board is planning on having a <u>weekly workshop</u> meeting. These meetings will be published. The Supervisor, Treasurer, and Clerk will be meeting (weekly) in the morning. G. Purcell mentioned the benefit of letting PC members know about the date and time of these weekly meetings so that PC members could attend. An email notification regarding the date and time would be helpful. </p>	<p> PUBLIC COMMENT </p>

Discussion on Dates of Joint Meeting (the Annual Meeting of the Board, ZBA, PC):

Motion by Purcell with support from Heystek to present the following possible meeting dates to the Board for the Annual Joint Meeting: Dec. 22, 29 or January 3rd. All ayes. MOTION CARRIED.

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APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES:

R. Beukema noted: Changes have been made to item #2-(Michigan Citizen Planner) under Old Business since the meeting of November 17th.

Motion by R. Beukema with support from Purcell to accept Planning Commission minutes of November 17, 2016 meeting as presented. All ayes. MOTION CARRIED.

APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES

NEW BUSINESS:

SEU 16-12-13 PARCEL ID 08-16-115-005-50: A request by Earl Krol for a Special Use Exception Permit regarding Sec.12.7 Outbuildings – to construct an outbuilding located on a lot that is bisected by a road and is placed on the opposite side of the road as the principal structure. Property is located across the street from 11662 Barlow Lake Rd., Middleville, MI.

Open of Public Hearing at 7:20 p.m.

Earl Krol presented his request.

No Public Comment from the audience. No letters were received at the township hall.

Close of Public Hearing at 7:30 p.m.

Board deliberations took place.

Motion by Purcell with support from Heystek to approve request of Earl Krol at 11662 Barlow Lake Rd. (SEU 16-12-13 Parcel ID # 08-16-115-005-50) for use of Special Exception Permit for an outbuilding. Roll Call: Beukema: yes, Purcell: yes, Fiala: yes, T. Knowles: yes, C. Strickland: absent, P. Heystek: yes. Yes: 5, No: 0. Absent: 1. MOTION CARRIED.

NEW BUSINESS

Open of Public Hearing at 7:20 p.m.

Close of Public Hearing at 7:30 p.m.

MOTION TO APPROVE SEU request of E. Krol at 11662 Barlow Lake Rd.

OLD BUSINESS:

Annual Report - Planning Commissioners were asked to review and advise of changes.

Survey – Review:

Five Main Items Identified as Priorities for Joint Meeting:

1. Parking Boat Trailers on Gun Lake – State Park & Allegan
2. Waste & Recycling
3. Boat Wash
4. Ground Water/Well Head Protection
5. Multi-Family in Commercial & w/ Water & Sewer

OLD BUSINESS

G. Purcell commented on recognizing the efforts of the college student who took on presenting the results of this survey. Discussion took place regarding a gift of appreciation as well as a letter/certificate of commendation of this student's efforts.

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Master Plan – R. Harvey commented that she should be able to take care of the only two remaining items left. (One chapter (Ch. 4) and Future Land Use map). Discussion occurred regarding bringing the completed Master Plan to public hearing. April 20, 2017 was mentioned as a possible date for Public Hearing. Adjacent communities will need to be informed.

Discussion occurred on having a meeting regarding the map for the Master Plan.

Brief discussion regarding meeting quorums and remote participation took place.

Minutes of meetings discussion – R. Harvey reviewed key items necessary for meeting minutes.

Medical marijuana topic discussed. R. Harvey commented on current trends.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

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Chairman Fiala brought the meeting to a close at 9:50 p.m.

Deb Mousseau
Recording Secretary
December 15, 2016

Approved by:

Tressa Knowles

Tressa Knowles, Planning Commission Secretary

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Date