

MINUTES OF THE 353ST REGULAR MEETING OF THE
WEBSTER TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION
WEDNESDAY, MAY 16, 2007

The Meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by Vice-Chairperson Calhoun at the Township Hall.

WTPC Members Present: Wilber Woods, Gerry Calhoun, Gary Koch, Don Heller, Dave Lovell, Erica Perry

WTPC Members Absent: Paul Zalucha,

Also Present : Martha Zeeb, Erin Perdu, Bruce Pindzia , John Kingsley, Anya Dale

OLD BUSINESS:

I. Wilber Woods read the minutes of the April 18, 2007 Regular Meeting and the Commissioners read the May 2, 2007 Working Session minutes silently. Erica Perry moved, 2nd by Gary Koch, to approve both sets of minutes as printed. Motion Carried.

II. Gary Koch gave the Township Board Report. He said the Board approved a resolution for LASA Rules and Regulations so it can obtain a bond. Nextel would like a tower. There will be a PDR meeting on May 30, 2007. Erica Perry mentioned that she and John Kingsley attended the past PDR meeting. Webster has 3 options to have an intergovernmental collaboration agreement including Scio, Pittsfield, and Ann Arbor Twp. so we can get more PDR funding from the State by removing a level of bureaucracy.

III. Citizens Wishing to Address the Commission: None

VI. Bruce Pindzia gave the Zoning Officer Update. Bruce issued 7 permits including one new home in the last month. St Joseph Church construction noise and temporary lighting were issues with neighbors. The Preserve is working on a soil erosion problem. Dexter United Methodist Church is still working with the Drain Commission.

V. Anya Dale, Associate Planner with the Washtenaw County Land Planning Dept., gave a presentation on how Urban Sprawl is making people dependent on cars which is bad for our health. Smart Growth is compact so people have time to walk or bike with lighted paths and a destination to go to. Washtenaw Area Transportation Study non motorized plan has funding sources.

NEW BUSINESS: None

VI. Citizens Wishing to Address the Commission: None

VII. GENERAL DISCUSSION: Erica Perry related that May 20, 2007 at 6:30pm at the New Center they will discuss regulations for privately owned community sewage systems.

VII. New Ordinance Discussion followed. Erin Perdu reviewed the May 14, 2007 memorandum she and Bruce Pindzia compiled.

A. They went over their recommended changes to Section 12.50, 12.70, 12.15A and 12.1B and the Commissioners concurred.

B. On page 8 item D for Bed and Breakfast they will reduce the required bedroom size to

8x10 rooms and have a 30 day limit for stays as people may have a relative in the hospital. Bruce will find County Health kitchen regulations, State liquor regulations and Mark's ideas that may govern food and beverages.

C. The Commissioners removed screening requirements for a cemetery but wanted the 20 foot setback included.

D. The Commissioners removed lighting of golf driving ranges so we see the stars at night and they need to be at least 10 acres in size.

E. As time was getting short Erin asked the Commissioners to read items 10-15 and let her know if they disagreed with her suggestions. The June 6, 2007 working session will be on Article 13 and comments need to be submitted by May 21st. They passed out a proposed working session syllabus and more working sessions may need to be voted on.

VIII Don Heller moved, 2nd by Erica Perry, to adjourn. Motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 9:45 p.m.

NEXT MEETING DATE:

Working Session: Wednesday, June 6, 2007 at 6:30 p.m.
Regular Meeting, Wednesday, June 20, 2007 at 7:30 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Wilber Woods, Secretary

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B. Pindzia