

**GARFIELD TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION**

**REGULAR MEETING**

**Tuesday, August 2, 2011**

**Garfield Township Hall**

**1138 W. Erickson Rd, Linwood MI 48634**

**MINUTES**

The meeting was called to order by Bill Pelton the Chairperson at 6:30 P.M.

The Pledge was said in unison. Public attendance was twelve.

Roll call: Chairperson-Bill Pelton, Vice Chairperson-Bruce Bodrie, Secretary-Karen Snyder, Trustee-Joe Boudreau, Trustee-Jim Herber were present.

Dale Mieske recorded the meeting.

Reading, corrections and approval of last meeting minutes: Motion made by Jim Herber/Bruce Bodrie to approve July 7, 2011 meeting minutes. Motion carried.

Zoning Administrator Report- none

Communications- none

Motion to open Public Comment Jim Herber/Bruce Bodrie. Motion carried.

Public Comment: Dale Mieske, 807 S. 11 Mile, asked about the cancellation of his scheduled Special Use Permit meeting and how much notice is needed for cancelling a meeting. He also asked why the Township Board did not notify him about the July 25<sup>th</sup> meeting. The Planning Commission told him he needed to talk to the Township Board.

Jerry Sylvester, 2420 W. Linwood Rd, as a representative of the Fox Club does not like information that is out about their club. He stated they do not have a full time liquor license and does not want trouble with the liquor commission.

Motion to close Public Comment, Karen Snyder/Bruce Bodrie. Motion carried.

Motion to open Unfinished Business, Joe Boudreau/Karen Snyder. Motion carried.

Unfinished Business: Joe Boudreau rescinded motion from July 7<sup>th</sup> meeting "I move to rescind the motion adopted at the July 7, 2011 meeting to suspend all future Special Use Permits (SUP) that are not covered under old ordinances until new ordinances are in place.

Karen Snyder seconded the rescinded motion. Motion carried.

Jim Herber stated the Township Board adopted two new moratoria at its July 25, 2011 meeting covering the issuance of SUP until the new zoning ordinances are adopted.

Bill Pelton answered questions from Public Comment on July 7<sup>th</sup>, said Roberts Rule of Order where never adopted and the June elections are legal according to Mr. Richards our township attorney.

Motion to close Unfinished Business Jim Herber/Bruce Bodrie. Motion carried.

Motion to open New Business Joe Boudreau/Bruce Bodrie. Motion carried.

New Business: Chairperson asked Secretary to read Garfield Township Planning Commission Rules of Procedure. Rules were reviewed and spelling corrections made. Joe Boudreau wanted clarification if they are rules or by-laws? Both names are referenced within the document. In the Meeting Section/Public Notice we would like the posting of meetings to state at the township hall not in the hall. In the Meeting Section should it be added that the Zoning Administrator needs to send request to the Secretary so that all members may have copies before the meeting? A question was also noted to the reference to Roberts Rule of Order (RRO). Does the Planning Commission have to adopt RRO? Jim Herber will present questions to the Township Board. The Planning Commission will adopt the new Procedures when the draft is finalized. JOE BOUDREAU ASKED IF WE CAN HAVE MEETINGS BY PHONE.

Review of Zoning Ordinances through pg 29, Secretary-Karen Snyder is compiling list of changes needed.

Motion to close New Business, Joe Boudreau/Jim Herber. Motion carried.

Motion to adjourn Jim Herber/Joe Boudreau. Motion carried.

Adjourned 8:30 P.M.

Next Planning Board Ordinance Meeting: Monday, August 22, 2011 @ 6:00 P.M.

Minutes by: Karen Snyder