

GARFIELD TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING

Tuesday, December 3, 2013, 6:30 p.m.
Garfield Township Hall
1138 West Erickson Road, Linwood MI 48634

MINUTES

1. Meeting called to order by chairperson-Lee Deary @ 6:30pm
2. Roll call was taken-Present: Lee Deary, Cynthia Killey, Kathy Niemiec, Paul Niemiec Absent: Steve Better
3. Pledge was recited
4. Total present at meeting: 7
5. Motion made by Paul Niemiec, 2nd by Cynthia Killey to approve previous month's minutes-motion carried, minutes approved.
6. Motion made by Paul, 2nd by Cynthia Killey to open public comment. There was no public comment at this time.
7. Motion made by Paul, 2nd by Cynthia Killey to close public comment. Motion carried.
8. Motion made by Paul, 2nd by Cynthia Killey to open unfinished business. Motion carried.

a. Kathy asked about animal's class I & II with regards to the animal unit. Lee stated it was his understanding that a pig is considered a half unit and you may have 2 pigs in Garfield Township for 1&1/2 acres. Zoning Administrator, LeRoy also had questions regarding that ordinance with regards to how many animals on 1&1/2 acres, nowhere does it state or; goat or sheep, instead it reads: goat/sheep. Lee will check with other townships.

b. LeRoy also questioned why 18 pages regarding signs, is it necessary. He also questioned the double standard regarding Residential Fences in Section 3.12

The Planning Commission will be checking with other townships regarding residential fences where ditches are present.

9. Motion made by Paul, 2nd by Cynthia Killey to close unfinished business.
Motion carried.

10. Motion made by Cynthia Killey, 2nd by Kathy Niemiec to open new business.
Motion carried.

a. Report from Cynthia & Kathy who attended Summer Planning & Zoning Class held in Frankenmuth-Aug. 26, 2013. They both stated very informative and brought hand-out information to all members of the Planning Commission.

b. Annual written report to Garfield Township Board regarding status of the commission. Secretary (Kathy) will send report to Township Board including members names, seminars attended, meeting dates for 2014 and fact-finding regarding the above ordinances.

11. Motion made by Cynthia, 2nd by Kathy Niemiec to close new business.
Motion carried.

12. Planning Commission Meetings for the year 2014:

Tues.-February 4, 2014 Tues.-April 1, 2014 Tues.-August 5,
2014 Tues.-December 2, 2014

All meetings begin at 6:30 p.m.

13. Zoning Administrator gave report on 3 permits issued: 2 pole barns, 1 addition to existing pole barn.

14. Motion made by Paul, 2nd by Cynthia Killey to adjourn meeting. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:13 p.m.

Minutes recorded by secretary-Kathy Niemiec