

LAKE TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION

Unapproved Minutes

Wednesday, February 20, 2008

The meeting of the Lake Township Planning Commission was called to order at 7:00 PM by Chairman Colletta. Members Gerry Geppert, Rich Ehrlich, and Valerie McCallum also present along with three guests. Lalley absent.

New Business: No new business was scheduled for this special meeting.

Planning Commission 2008-09 schedule. Colletta requested input from the commission members as to the proposed planning commission meeting schedule for 2008-09 as to a November meeting. The 4th Wednesday in November is the evening before Thanksgiving. Motion by McCallum to eliminate a November meeting from the 2008-09 schedule, seconded by Colletta. Motion carried.

Old Business:

Canvas Structures: Colletta read a definition of membrane structures and also read an ordinance regarding canopies as permanent structures.

Discussion on language and scheduling of a public hearing. Colletta suggested holding off until after Memorial Day when many of the residents are back in the area for the summer season.

Motion by Colletta to schedule the following proposed language amending Section 1202.5, Accessory Structures, for public hearing on May 28th, 2008, seconded by Geppert.

“C. For the purposes of maintaining orderliness, aesthetics and property values in residential districts, accessory structures over 100 square feet shall conform generally to the architectural design and/or exterior structural materials of the principal building so as to be compatible and similar to the principal building.

D. Tent-like canvas or nylon structures shall not be used as temporary storage structures for uses such as, but not limited to, protecting vehicles, boats or RV's.”

Motion carried.

Motion by Colletta to request an extension of the moratorium until August in order to allow time for review of a proposed amendment by the Huron County Planning Commission following the public hearing and submittal to the Township Board, seconded by Geppert. Motion carried.

McCallum to check with Building and Zoning for their 2008 meeting schedule.

Discussion on other items the planning commission should be working on which include:

- Mining and mineral extraction;
- RR District – Building restrictions based on lot size;
- Exterior Lighting;
- Wetland Ordinance;

and whether the Township needs to update it's Floodplain ordinance.

Motion by Geppert to adjourn, seconded by McCallum. Meeting adjourned at 9 PM.

Valerie McCallum, Secretary