

**LAKE TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION**  
**Regular Meeting**  
**Wednesday, October 26, 2011**

The **regular meeting** of the Lake Township Planning Commission was called to order at 7:00 PM by Chairman Dave Szumlinski.

**Pledge of Allegiance** was recited.

**Roll call**

By Lisa Konke, Recording Secretary. Present were Dave Szumlinski, Jeff Krohn, Gordon Krueger, and Dale Hartsell, and Paul Golsch. And approximately 8 guests in attendance.

**Approval of Minutes**

Motion by Krohn, **to approve the amended minutes of the August 24, 2011 regular meeting minutes**, seconded by Krueger. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Hartsell, **to approve the minutes of the September 28, 2011 regular meeting minutes**, seconded by Golsch. All ayes. Motion carried.

**Agenda**

Szumlinski stated he would like to add Master Plan to Old Business.

Motion by Hartsell, **to approve the agenda with the addition of Master Plan to Old Business**, seconded by Krohn. All ayes. Motion carried.

**Correspondence**

Szumlinski read a letter, received October 17, 2011 from Walt Salens, Lake Township's attorney with his legal review of the proposed zoning amendments to recreational vehicle use and boat hoists and easements.

**Old Business:**

**Master Plan**

Szumlinski referred to the invitation from the Planning and Zoning Center at MSU, being held on November 2, 2011 at the Huron County Expo Center in Bad Axe. This workshop will deal with the Saginaw Bay Watershed and needs to be incorporated into Lake Township's Master Plan. Also, the 2010 Census information needs to be added to the Master Plan. He suggests tabling this issue until the November meeting.

**Recreational Vehicle Use on vacant property**

Szumlinski recommends that this Board go ahead with scheduling a public hearing for the amendments to the Lake Township Zoning Ordinance. He suggests scheduling this hearing for November 16, 2011 at 6:30pm.

Motion by Szumlinski, **to schedule a public hearing for November 16, 2011 at 6:30pm.**, seconded by Golsch.

Roll Call: Szumlinski, aye. Golsch, aye. Hartsell, aye. Krueger, aye. Krohn, aye.

**Motion carried.**

**Boat Hoists and Easements**

Szumlinski referred to the letter from Walt Salens with regards to checking into if any of these

easements are deeded. He stated he will need to clarify this by calling Salens.

Golsch agreed.

Motion by Hartsell, **to table Boat Hoists**, seconded by Krueger. All ayes. Motion carried.

### **Use of Firearms**

Hartsell read from Michigan State Law, Section 752.863a, Reckless, wanton use or negligent discharge of firearm.

Szumliniski suggests tabling the Use of Firearms issue for good.

Motion by Krohn, **to table Use of Firearms for good**, seconded by Golsch.

Roll Call: Szumliniski, aye. Golsch, aye. Hartsell, aye. Krueger, aye. Krohn, aye.

**Motion carried.**

### **New Business**

#### **Medical Marihuana**

Board members reviewed the February 2011, Township Law E-Letter about Medical Marihuana and some of the issues that are occurring in Michigan.

Motion by Hartsell, **to table Medical Marihuana**, seconded by Golsch.

Roll Call: Szumliniski, aye. Golsch, aye. Hartsell, aye. Krueger, aye. Krohn, aye.

**Motion carried.**

#### **Zoning Administrator's Reports**

Members reviewed September violations.

Arnie Russell commented on the issue of easements. He referred to the James Road easement and the fact that the property owners on Captains Drive do not know which easement they are allowed to use. He was told they can use Slavins easement. Also, with regard the posting of signs in Lake Township, how long can a builder leave their sign up in front of a job they have finished? He added that there is an issue in Lake Township regarding No Trespassing signs. Lake Township's ordinance does not clearly state how many signs are too much of a distraction.

### **Public Comments**

Walt Kloc commented on the Boat Hoist issue and that there are other areas of Lake Township's Zoning Ordinance that pertain to boat hoists. He suggests this Board look into and review these areas. He added that Slavins Pt. easement is for the use of the residents of Slavins Sub 1 & 2.

No more public comments.

Motion by Hartsell, **to adjourn**, seconded by Krueger. All ayes. Motion carried.

**Meeting adjourned at 7:45 pm.**

Respectfully submitted,

Lisa Konke, Recording Secretary