

**KINROSS CHARTER TOWNSHIP
PLANNING COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING**

June 14, 2010

4884 W. Curtis St.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Ron Munro, Chair
Herman Calkins, Vice Chair
Gerda Frimberger, Secretary
David Gaines
Rick Bernhardt

MEMBERS ABSENT

Mark Howland
Brenda Case

Also, present Treasurer Munro, Richard Oliver, Trustee Kauer, and Judy Wright. Attendance 0

Chair Munro called the meeting to order at 6:35 PM. Calkins led the Pledge of Allegiance.

#1 MOVED: by Gaines, second by Frimberger, to approve the June 14, 2010, meeting agenda with the addition of a discussion of the letters from the Township Supervisor to Munro & Howland, and a noxious weed ordinance. Motion carried.

#2 MOVED: by Calkins, second by Bernhardt, to accept the May 10, 2010, meeting minutes as written. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT

- According to the Michigan Enabling Act a Planning Commission member continues to serve until his successor is named.
- The Bylaws state that an officer serves until his successor is elected, but it does not mention anything about when an officer's term has expired.

A discussion of the letters from the Township Supervisor to members Howland and Munro highlighted the need for members to have a wide variety of experience and areas of interest to best carry out the duties of the Planning Commission. With an international airport, multiple correctional facilities, industrial area, recreational lands, agricultural, residential, and commercial areas, it is likely that the Commissioners could encounter almost every zoning issue imaginable.

#3 MOVED: by Gaines, second by Bernhardt, to advise the Township Board that the number of members on the Planning Commission should remain at seven to serve the best interests of the Township and residents due to the complexities of the make-up of the Township. Motion carried.

There was considerable discussion about the deficiencies in current text of Ordinances #1.116 (amended by #1.133) and #1.128. Members were asked to carefully review both and bring suggested needed revisions to next month's meeting.

#4 MOVED: by Munro, second by Bernhardt, to table action on Ordinance #1.128, Sign Ordinance, until next month. Motion carried.

A broad discussion of other agenda items yielded the following comments:

- Each member will bring their own prioritized listing of Ordinances to the next meeting so that an action plan can be established for review and amendments.
- Members should set an example by being in compliance with all existing ordinances.
- More definition is needed for Capital Improvement expenditures.
- The definition of Urban Core Mixed Use stated in the Master Plan does not describe the activities of P & P Power.

Trustee Kauer asked the Commission if the proposed areas, near Griffin Place, for a Dog Park and Farmer's Market fell within the planned land use. The Commission saw no conflicts that would prohibit these developments.

Richard Oliver will investigate the building and permit progress at Fundamental Baptist Church and report back to the Commissioners.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

The meeting adjourned at 8:30 PM.

Gerda Frimberger, Secretary

Minutes prepared by Judy Wright