

## RAPID RIVER TOWNSHIP ZONING COMMISSION

June 10, 2010

Meeting called to order by Chairman McKinnon at 7:00 with the reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call: Robert Crosby, Michael Moran, Terry Williams, Stuart McKinnon. Todd Chwastek absent.

Zoning Administrator: William Campbell, absent

Public Present: Larry Mitchell

Approval of the Agenda: Motion by Williams, support by Moran to approve the agenda as presented. All ayes. Motion carried.

Public Comment (items not on the agenda): Larry Mitchell inquired about a tax exemption. Advised to take request to the Board of Review.

Correspondence: McKinnon reported on information township attorney, Gary Ford, had provided for the board. Items included a check list for zoning ordinance text amendments, model resolution to extend interim zoning ordinance, steps to adopt Master Plan. Ford indicated that it is possible to amend the interim ordinance. May adopt parts of the County Master Plan that pertain to township. Copy attached.

McKinnon will be attend Session III of the Saving Michigan Economy June 11. This is an all day session relative to promoting small businesses.

Call for Conflict: None

Public Hearing: None

Approval of the Minutes dated May 13, 2010. Reference to page 2 that a copy of budget be added to minutes. McKinnon presented a copy to be attached. Motion by Williams, support by Crosby to approve the minutes as presented with attachment. All ayes. Carried.

McKinnon noted that Supervisor John Rogers had requested a copy of the unapproved minutes. ZA will provide.

Reports:

Zoning Board of Appeals. None

Zoning Administrator: None

Commission Secretary: (1) Township Board passed resolution June 8 to continue Interim Zoning for one year. (2) Reviewed procedure regarding packets for members.

Recording Secretary to transmit minutes to township computer for ZA. ZA to add agenda from Commission Secretary and mail 10 days prior to meeting. (3) As per Ford's request, talked with Deb Hill, Kalkaska County Clerk, about the location of the attested copy the township filed with the county. There seems to be some confusion about the records in the clerk's office which he will try to clarify for Ford.

Chair: None

New Business: Training Opportunity. Moran reported on a class being presented by the Michigan Association of Planners (MAP). After discussion, Moran motioned with support by Crosby to request the township board to pay the fees to the MAP. Further discussion resulted in an amendment by Moran with support by Crosby to justify the expense to the township in providing reduced rates for classes, source of information regarding changes in the law and other items related to planning. All ayes. Motion carried. Crosby volunteered to contact MAP for a list of upcoming classes.

Old Business: McKinnon has acquired from the county all documentation for Team Services on Wood Road. Will provide copy for ZA. This will be filed with the minutes of this meeting and labeled Exhibit A.

Break at 8:04.

Called back to order at 8:08

Sunset Date: Williams asked for attorney opinion. McKinnon stated according to Ford the final decision was up to the township board.

Master Plan: (See previous information under Correspondence.)

Ordinance amendment: Considerable discussion on possible amendments included: building height, principal uses, definition for a business now categorized as "nursery" but includes other activities. Suggestion: Landscape and Maintenance Services or Landscape and Maintenance Contractors. Need definition plus standards etc.

Other Public Comment: None

Adjourn: Motion by Williams, support by Moran. All ayes. Carried. Meeting adjourned at 9:50.

Phyllis Senske  
Recording Secretary

Attachments: (2) Exhibit A, Attorney Ford's letter to the township board re zoning issues