

**Minutes of Caledonia Township, Alcona County, Planning Commission  
July 6, 2009**

Meeting called to order by Chairman Vichunas at 7:00 p.m. at the Caledonia Township Hall, Spruce, Michigan.

Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call: Present: Freigruber, Hahn, Preston, Scott, Vichunas, Williams and Waldeck.  
Guest: Bill Larsen

**MOTION** by Preston to approve the **Agenda** as submitted by email; **SUPPORT** by Williams; Discussion determined that the Proposed Definitions and Language for Crematoriums should be added to Unfinished Business; Motion carried.

**MOTION** by Preston to approve the **Minutes** of the June 1, 2009 meeting as submitted by email from Secretary Waldeck with one correction: Freigruber requested approval by the Board for attendance at the July 22, 2009 MTA Training as well as any others who wished to attend -- Waldeck, Preston and Scott also requested approval; **SUPPORT** by Freigruber; Motion carried.

**CITIZENS COMMENTS/COMMUNICATIONS CONCERNING ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA:** Freigruber received phone calls regarding the locked gate at the Walden Properties which prevents access by the Fire Department as well as the addition of boulders around the property. This issue does not involve the Planning Commission.

**REPORTS:**

**Zoning Board of Appeals:** Freigruber stated that the June 23, 2009 meeting regarding a variance at 6008 Cedar Drive was rescheduled to July 23, 2009 at the request of the petitioner.

**Board of Trustees Meeting Synopsis:** Scott read the Synopsis published in the ALCONA COUNTY REVIEW on June 24, 2009 and provided additional items of interest.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

**Revised Bylaws** –Vichunas entered the Township Planning Commission Ordinance Number 09-02 and the effective date of July 22, 2009 to the Bylaws and forwarded them to the Planning Commission members via email.

**Zoning Ordinance Book Revision** – Vichunas continues to work on.

**Proposed Zoning Ordinance re Sexually Oriented Businesses** – No further action until PC members return from July 22, 2009 MTA Training.

**Deliberations on the Proposed Definitions and Language for Crematoriums** – Vichunas advised that the 30-day waiting period for review by the County Board of Commissioners expired on July 3, 2009. Scott will remind the Township Board to address this proposed ordinance at their next meeting.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**Proposed ORV Ordinance** – Scott stated that Alcona County ORV Ordinance No. 09-01; was adopted by the Board of Commissioners on June 3, 2009; published on June 10, 2009, and is now effective upon publication. After July 17, 2009, the Township will be able to develop an ORV Ordinance if so directed by the Township Board.

**Proposed Condominium Ordinance** – Freigruber working on it.

**Review Master Plan adopted June 14, 2006** – Presently on hold and will include preservation of agricultural land as well as forest and recreation areas.

**Review Recreation Master Plan 2005-2009, adopted February 16, 2005** – Scott will take to the Township Board to determine the Board's wishes for reviewing the current Plan and/or adopting a new Recreation Master Plan for 2010 thru 2014.

**Research Sample Ordinances on Burning Trash** – Waldeck discussed the Model Ordinance for Outdoor and Open Burning, which was published by the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality, Clean Air Assistance Program, September 2006. Waldeck and Preston to research which model best suits our Township needs.

**Proposed Keyhole Development (Residential Uses with Common Use Waterfront Property) Ordinance** – Vichunas forwarded the July 5, 2009 Draft for review. Reference current Section 607, Point 29 for further discussion.

**Proposed Manufactured Housing Developments Ordinance** – Vichunas forwarded the July 5, 2009 Draft for review. Reference current Section 316 for further discussion.

**Proposed Multiple-Family Dwelling Units Ordinance** - Vichunas forwarded the July 5, 2009 Draft for review. Reference current Section 607, Point 23 for further discussion.

**Proposed Additions to Section 202, Definitions** – Vichunas forwarded the July 5, 2009 Draft for review.

**POLL MEMBERS FOR NEW BUSINESS:** None.

**Next Planning Commission Meeting** – August 3, 2009.

**Next Tri-Township Planning Commission Meeting** – Meeting scheduled for October 22, 2009, at 7:00 p.m. hosted by Hawes Township.

**MOTION** by Williams to adjourn at 8:40 p.m.; **SUPPORT** by Freigruber; Motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Jane Waldeck, Secretary