

## MINUTES OF THE CALEDONIA TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION

June 6, 2016

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: Vichunas, Grove, Lehndorff, Scott, Preston, Abend and Williams.

**MOTION** by Williams to approve the **AGENDA** as submitted by email; **SUPPORT** by Grove; Motion carried.

**CITIZEN COMMENTS CONCERNING ITEMS ON THE AGENDA:** None.

**CITIZEN COMMENTS CONCERNING ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA:** None.

**MOTION** by Grove to approve the **May 2, 2016 MINUTES** as submitted by email, **SUPPORT** by Preston; Motion carried.

### REPORTS:

**Zoning Board of Appeals** – Grove advised there were no appeals, so the ZBA did not meet.

**Board of Trustees** – Scott gave his report of the May 11, 2016 meeting. PI

Telecom made a presentation regarding a guy-wired tower versus a free-standing tower.

### UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

**Special Land Use Permit #24-2015 from PI Telecom Infrastructure V, LLC** – Planning Commission is looking for the recent application on the changed location.

**Caledonia Township Recreation Plan 2016-2020** – The Planning Commission has not yet received copies.

**Park Ordinance #16-01** – Township Board approved Park Ordinance, which was published in the ALCONA COUNTY REVIEW on May 25, 2016 and shall become effective thirty (30) days after publication (June 24, 2016). Township Clerk will provide copies.

**North End Park Rules** – Township Board approved five signs recommended by the Planning Commission for installation.

**Tri-Townships Master Plan** – Edits recommended by the Planning Commission were forwarded to Rick Deuell, NEMCOG. In addition, the proposed flyer for the community survey has been developed and will be available shortly. Alcona and Caledonia Townships will be implementing an online survey and Hawes Township will not. Vichunas asked Scott to seek direction from the Board of Trustees regarding arrangements for printing the flyer.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**Special Land Use Request for a Bed and Breakfast at 5878 Cedar Street – Permit #01-2016** – Vichunas sent a letter dated March 9<sup>th</sup> to the applicant, then identified as Mr. and Mrs. David R. Johnson, listing the items that were not provided with the SLU Request. No response from Mr. David R. Johnson or Ms. Sharon Johnson to date. The Whispering Cedars Lodge website revealed that the lodge has been booked for most of June, all of July and August and part of September. The Planning Commission is requesting the status of the SLU request for the Whispering Cedars Lodge on Cedar Drive, because they are fully operational and without an SLU permit.

**Future Issues to Address** – Review Township Blight Ordinance to include Nuisances and Dog Barking Ordinances. Review Zoning Ordinance to determine if any revisions are needed in addition to the Medical Marijuana section. Review handouts regarding riparian rights in the placement of docks, hoists and sandbar issues. Eventually consider an interactive Zoning Ordinance, which provides links to applicable laws and sections of the ordinance.

**Next Planning Commission Meeting – July 11, 2016.**

**Tri-Townships Planning Commission Meeting Schedule for 2016** – July 28<sup>th</sup> at Caledonia Township at 7 p.m. and 7 p.m., October 13<sup>th</sup> at Hawes Township.

**Public Comment.** None.

**MOTION** by Preston to adjourn at 8:20 p.m.; **SUPPORT** by Abend; Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Betsy Lehndorff  
Secretary

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