

MINUTES OF THE CALEDONIA TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION

May 2, 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 and Abend.
Absent: Williams.

MOTION by Grove to approve the **AGENDA** as submitted by email; **SUPPORT** by Preston; 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 **April 4, 2016 MINUTES** as submitted by email, **SUPPORT** by Abend; Motion carried.

REPORTS:

Zoning Board of Appeals – Grove advised that the ZBA did not meet.

Board of Trustees – Scott gave his report of the April 13, 2016 meeting.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Special Land Use Permit #24-2015 from PI Telecom Infrastructure V, LLC – Applicant has asked if an additional \$200 application fee will be required to amend their original request to install a telecommunications tower on the Hickey Hill property instead of the Brown property. **MOTION** by Abend to waive an additional permit application fee to transfer the SLU permit to the Hickey Hill site; **SUPPORT** by Grove; Motion carried.

Caledonia Township Recreation Plan 2016-2020 – At the April Township Board meeting, the Board determined the number of copies of the Recreation Plan that will be needed and the Township Clerk will provide the Planning Commission with copies as soon as they are available.

Proposed Park Ordinance #16-01 and North End Park Rules – Reviewed the suggestions received by email from the Township Attorney, Brian Harger. **MOTION** by Scott to send the proposed ordinance and two signs to the Board of Trustees for review and approval; **SUPPORT** by Preston; Motion carried.

Online Planning and Zoning Training – Lehndorff and Abend have completed the online planning and zoning training.

Tri-Townships Master Plan – Chapters 1 thru 5 were discussed and reviewed. Edits will be forwarded to Rick Deuell, NEMCOG. The next step will be an online survey to obtain citizen comments, and the format will be provided by NEMCOG.

NEW BUSINESS:

Special Land Use Request for a Bed and Breakfast at 5878 Cedar Drive, Permit #01-2016 – Vichunas sent a letter dated March 9 to the applicant, Sharon Johnson and David R. Johnson, listing the items that were not provided with the SLU Request. (It was noted, after the fact, that Sharon and David are siblings.)

Future Issues to Address – Review Township Blight Ordinance to include Nuisances and Dog Barking Ordinances. Review the 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 and 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 – June 6, 2016.

Tri-Townships Planning Commission Meeting Schedule for 2016 – July 28th at Caledonia Township at 7:00 p.m., and October 13th at Hawes Township.

Public Comment. None.

MOTION by Scott to adjourn at 8:26 p.m.; **SUPPORT** by Grove; Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Betsy Lehndorff
Secretary

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