

MINUTES OF CALEDONIA TOWNSHIP, ALCONA COUNTY, PLANNING COMMISSION
May 6, 2013

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: Grove, Preston, Scott, Vichunas, Waldeck and Williams.

Absent: Swinson

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

MOTION by Grove to approve the April 8, 2013 **MINUTES** as submitted by email; **SUPPORT** by Williams; Motion carried.

CITIZENS COMMENTS/COMMUNICATIONS CONCERNING ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA: None.

REPORTS:

Zoning Board of Appeals -- Waldeck reported that a Public Hearing was held on April 29, 2013. A variance request was submitted for an additional three (3) feet in height on a proposed outbuilding in Lakeshore Development. Variance was granted conditional upon compliance with Schedule of Regulations, 2.a., with side yard minimum of one (1) foot for each additional one (1) foot of height.

Board of Trustees -- Scott provided items of interest from the Board of Trustees April 10, 2013 Meeting as published in the **ALCONA COUNTY REVIEW** on April 17, 2013.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Section 5.10, Schedule of Regulations and Accessory Buildings – ZBA requested a further review of these topics and revisions were made in the revised Zoning Ordinance.

Revised Zoning Ordinance -- Vichunas received the Tables of Uses by Right and Special Land Uses from NEMCOG which will require a little editing and is still working on the Table of Contents. A draft copy will be provided to the Township Clerk so that copies can be printed for review by the Township Board, Planning Commission, Zoning Administrator, Zoning Board of Appeals, etc.

Tri-Township Planning Commission Meeting held April 18, 2013 – Update and discussion followed.

NEMCOG/MSUE Extension/Great Lakes Restoration Initiative Training – Training was held April 25 and May 2nd for a total of six (6) hours. Overall it was viewed as a good educational update which encompassed how different districts are affected by Watershed issues. Also, a good refresher for the ZBA.

NEW BUSINESS:

Open and Outdoor Burning Model Ordinance -- Reviewed draft sent by Waldeck via email. Waldeck will incorporate changes and add list of definitions for members' review prior to the June meeting.

Public Hearing for the Revised Zoning Ordinance -- A Public Hearing on the Proposed Caledonia Township Zoning Ordinance which will repeal the current Rural Zoning Ordinance and replace it in its entirety, will be scheduled for July 1, 2013, at 7:00 p.m.; and a Public Notice will be forwarded to the **ALCONA COUNTY REVIEW** for publication on May 22, 2013.

POLL MEMBERS FOR NEW BUSINESS – Hydraulic fracturing in Michigan may be a possible topic for review.

Public Comment - None.

Next Planning Commission Meeting – June 3, 2013.

Next Tri-Townships Planning Commission Meeting - July 25, 2013 at 7:00 p.m., hosted by Caledonia Township. Last meeting of the year is scheduled for October 24, 2013 hosted by Hawes Township.

MOTION by Williams to adjourn at 9:02 p.m.; **SUPPORT** by Grove; Motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jane Waldeck
Secretary

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