

**MINUTES OF CALEDONIA TOWNSHIP, ALCONA COUNTY, PLANNING COMMISSION**  
**October 3, 2011**

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 and Williams.  
Absent: Waldeck.

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

**MOTION** by Hahn to approve the September 12, 2011, **MINUTES** as provided by email; **SUPPORT** by Williams; Motion carried.

**CITIZENS COMMENTS/COMMUNICATIONS CONCERNING ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA:**

Freigruber stated he received an email from Rick Deuell, NEMCOG, re updating Caledonia Township zoning information for the Black River Watershed Plan which he forwarded to Vichunas.

**REPORTS:**

**Zoning Board of Appeals** – Freigruber stated that he received a request for a variance but after discussion with Ott it was determined that a variance was not needed to build a garage 20 feet from the lot line.

**Board of Trustees** -- Scott provided items of interest from the Board of Trustee's Meeting of September 11, 2011, as published in the ALCONA COUNTY REVIEW on September 20, 2011.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

**Zoning Ordinance Book Revisions** – Scheduled the 3rd study session for Tuesday, October 18th, and will contact Waldeck to confirm this date.

**Proposed Condominium Ordinance** – On hold until completion of Zoning Ordinance Revision.

**Proposed Medical Marijuana Dispensaries Draft Ordinance** – In view of recent court decisions and further clarifications from the State, the draft Ordinance will be revisited.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**Right to Farm Act** – Proposed language will be developed regarding 10 acre parcels and restrictions on horses as well as Ethanol production for inclusion in the Zoning Ordinance revision.

**Master Plan Review** – Discussed review of the Master Plan and determined not to update the census numbers in the Master Plan at this time. Copies of the checklist will be taken to the Tri-Township Planning Commission Meeting to complete after discussion with Alcona and Hawes Townships.

**Public Comment** -- None.

**Next Planning Commission Meeting – November 7, 2011.**

**Next Tri-Township Planning Commission Meeting – November 4, 2011** at 7:00 p.m., hosted by Hawes Township.

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

Respectfully Submitted,

Kathleen E. Vichunas, Chair

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