

**MINUTES OF CALEDONIA TOWNSHIP, ALCONA COUNTY, PLANNING COMMISSION**  
**September 16, 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, Scott, Swinson, Vichunas, Waldeck

Absent: Preston, Williams

**MOTION** by Grove to approve the **AGENDA** as submitted by email with one addition under new business: Discuss rental situation relative to noise in Jennison Grove; **SUPPORT** by Swinson; Motion carried.

**MOTION** by Swinson to approve the August 5, 2013 **MINUTES** as submitted by email; **SUPPORT** by Grove; Motion carried.

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

**REPORTS:**

**Zoning Board of Appeals** – Waldeck had nothing to report.

**Board of Trustees** -- Scott provided items of interest from the Board of Trustees August 7, 2013 Meeting as published in the **ALCONA COUNTY REVIEW** on August 14, 2013.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

**Outdoor and Open Burning Ordinance** - The proposed revision of the Outdoor and Open Burning Ordinance was forwarded to the Township Board for review and approval. Since it contains references to the renamed Zoning Districts, it will be on hold until the proposed new Zoning Ordinance is effective. Scott will follow up.

**Proposed Zoning Ordinance Revision** – Continued review of proposed changes. Vichunas will obtain clarification from NEMCOG re: the depth of Commercial District on US-23 as well as the depth of R-1 District across Mt Maria Road and F-41 and on the enhanced resolution of districts on the revised Zoning Map as well as a revised wall map.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**Jennison Grove Rental Situation:** As requested by the Township Board, discussed the issue of noise, number of occupants and using a residential district for a rental business. It was determined that the issues presented cannot be regulated by the Zoning Ordinance.

Vichunas and Waldeck attended an MTA Seminar in Gaylord, MI on **“Hot Topics in Planning/Zoning”** August 27, 2013.

**POLL MEMBERS FOR NEW BUSINESS** – Hydraulic fracturing in Michigan may be a possible topic for review as well as the Township Blight Ordinance which may require updating.

**Public Comment** - None.

**Next Planning Commission Meeting** – October 7, 2013.

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

**MOTION** by Waldeck to adjourn at 9:20 p.m.; **SUPPORT** by Grove; Motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jane Waldeck  
Secretary