

**PUTNAM TOWNSHIP  
PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING  
January 11, 2006  
MINUTES**

**CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Lester at 7:00 pm. There was one citizen in attendance.

**ROLL CALL**

MEMBERS PRESENT: Dobis, Balk, Gannon, Porath, Ligon, Gazdecki, Lester.

OTHERS PRESENT: Steven Van Steenhuyse, Planners, Ingrid Weisz, Recording Secretary, Pat Carney, Zoning Administrator

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Two items were added to the agenda under New Business.

**Motion by Balk & supported by Gazdecki to approve the revised agenda . MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**ELECTION OF COMMISSION OFFICERS**

**Motion by Lester & supported by Porath to nominate Balk for Chairperson. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**Motion by Balk & supported by Lester to nominate Ligon for Vice-Chairperson. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**Motion by Balk & supported by Porath to nominate Gannon for Secretary. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**Motion by Dobis & supported by Lester to nominate Gazdecki for Alternate Secretary. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

Lester thanked the members for working together over the last year.

**APPOINTMENT OF ZBA MEMBER**

**Motion by Dobis & supported by Gazdecki to nominate Lester for ZBA member. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Members requested that the 'Note' under New Business be removed and the spelling of Jerry Balk's name corrected under Approval of Agenda.

**Motion by Ligon & supported by Lester to approve the revised 12/14/05 minutes. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**CORRESPONDENCE**

Lester received a letter from Dick Knopf about the items added to the agenda. The quarterly newsletter of the Huron River Watershed Council & the SEMCOG Regional Update on membership were received. A handout from the Michigan Association of Planning on various workshops on Planning Commission training, Site Plan Review, & ZBA was distributed.

**PLANNER'S REPORT**

Rob Nesbit will be at the next Planning Commission meeting for discussion of the zoning ordinance

## **ZONING BOARD REPORT**

A meeting was held 1/9/06 where there was a discussion of the trees hiding the radio tower & a variance for attached garages & one for shared driveways / dedicated easements were reviewed. Their next meeting will be 2/13/06.

## **TOWNSHIP BOARD REPORT**

At the 12/31/05 meeting, the following topics were discussed: bonding agent presentation, extended audit, curb & gutter sidewalk, MTA conference, Master Plan amendments, Senior housing language was put in a file for future reference, voted to update the zoning ordinance, police authority investigation was suspended, full time fire fighter hired, update on request for proposal on facilities, discussion of Guzzo rezoning, pulled accessory language, social security privacy act policy, library board appointment, sewer tap agreement, multilakes upgrade contract, contract for Charter. A discussion ensued about the Guzzo rezoning. The 9/28/05 minutes are to be changed – at top of p. 2 'R-1-AAA' will be changed to 'R-1-A'. This will be discussed further at the 1/25/06 meeting.

**LAND DIVISION REPORT** None.

**PUBLIC HEARINGS** None.

## **CALL TO THE PUBLIC**

Opened Call to the Public at 8:08 pm.

Closed Call to the Public at 8:09 pm.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

A) Wetlands Ordinance Discussion

Van Steenhuyse and the members went through another portion of the Wetlands Ordinance draft making revisions. Much discussion ensued and will continue at the 2/8/06 meeting.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

A. Approval of the Calendar

**Motion by Lester and supported by Dobis to approve the 2006 calendar. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

B. Private stable fencing.

This will be reviewed at the next meeting 1/25/06 and during the zoning ordinance review.

**OTHER BUSINESS** None.

## **NEXT MEETING** 1/25/06

A. Review of 9/28/05 minutes

B. Zoning Ordinance Review

C. Private Stable Fencing

## **ADJOURNMENT**

**Motion by Ligon and supported by Lester to adjourn at 10:11 pm. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**Ingrid Weisz**

Recording Secretary