

**PUTNAM TOWNSHIP
PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING
April 12, 2006
MINUTES**

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Balk at 7:05 pm. There were eight citizens in attendance.

ROLL CALL

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

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

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Under Old Business, Balk added Amendment to Chapter 25, Sec 6F to be the first item for discussion.

Motion by Lester & supported by Gannon to approve the agenda as amended. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Under Township Board Report, 'the design/build firm for the new Township offices will be selected' was changed to 'board rescinded their approval of the design/build firm and will place the bond for the new Township facilities'

Motion by Dobis & supported by Ligon to approve the 3/22/06 minutes as amended. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

CORRESPONDENCE

Gazdecki attended a meeting of the Livingston County Land Conservancy group discussing their view of Girl Scout camp building changes.

Balk received a notice from the Pinckney/Lakeland/Hamburg Chamber of Commerce on their 8th Annual Growth Forum 4/27/06.

Members received a handout from the Village President about a training workshop on Site Plan Review on 4/29/06 to be presented by a member of the MSU Extension.

PLANNER'S REPORT

Van Steenhuyse went over his memo on the new Michigan Zoning Enabling Act (MZEA).

ZONING BOARD REPORT

Lester reported that, at the 4/10/06 meeting, a variance for the number of parking places to be decreased from 97 to 54 at the Girl Scout camp was discussed and approved and there were other conditions.

TOWNSHIP BOARD REPORT None.

LAND DIVISION REPORT

A request for a 10 acre parcel to be split into 3 was approved with conditions.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

A) Girl Scout Camp Innisfree Preliminary Site Plan.

Peter Claypoole & Bill Goodreau presented their plans for a new 10,000 square foot dining facility. Members discussed various aspects of this proposal including planting native Michigan wetland plant species, using a permeable surface for the parking lots, & keeping land disruption to a minimum.

Opened call to the Public at 8:08pm

Closed call to the Public at 8:09pm

Motion by Ligon & supported by Balk to table this matter until the 4/26/06 meeting to give the members time to review the documents received tonight. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

CALL TO THE PUBLIC

Opened Call to the Public at 8:26 pm.

Closed Call to the Public at 8:27 pm.

OLD BUSINESS

A) Amendment to Chapter 25, Sec. 6F discussion

Members discussed this amendment in light of the changes to the MZEA and it will be on the agenda for a vote at the next meeting.

B) Review of the General Provisions Chapter

Van Steenhuyse has begun this reorganization. The review will await a more up to date draft.

NEW BUSINESS None.

OTHER BUSINESS None.

NEXT MEETING 4/26/06

A. Girl Scout Camp Innisfree Preliminary Site Plan

B. Amendment to Chapter 25, Sec. 6F discussion

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Lester and supported by Gazdecki to adjourn at 9:12 pm. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Ingrid Weisz

Recording Secretary