

**PUTNAM TOWNSHIP
PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING
June 27, 2007
MINUTES**

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Balk at 7:13pm There were four citizens in attendance.

ROLL CALL

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

OTHERS PRESENT: Steven Van Steenhuyse, Planner(via telephone; videoconferencing again not working), Ingrid Weisz, Recording Secretary.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Item C, Approval of 6/6/07 Minutes was added to Old Business.

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion by Porath & supported by Gazdecki to approve the 06/13/07 minutes. MOTION CARRIED (Lester and Dobis abstained) .

CORRESPONDENCE

Balk received correspondence from Stantec.

PLANNER'S REPORT None.

ZONING BOARD REPORT

Lester reported on the last ZBA meeting.

TOWNSHIP BOARD REPORT

Dobis reported on the 6/20/07 meeting.

LAND DIVISION REPORT None.

PUBLIC HEARINGS None.

CALL TO THE PUBLIC

Opened call at 7:18pm

Scott Tobel, Algonquin Dr, asked about the status of the motion to table his request to pave Algonquin. He stated that they will be creating a better asphalt base than the Road Commission standards require. His wife, also in attendance, stated that they had been told the fee for the special meeting would be \$250 but they received a bill for \$600. He also requested that the Planning Commission review his revised application at the next meeting on July 11. He was told the first meeting of the month is generally a working meeting and it was more likely he would be scheduled for the 7/25/07 meeting. He was informed that he could contact the Township Supervisor to request a review at the 7/11/07 meeting.

Closed call at 7:31pm

After the 5/23/07 meeting Lester had spoken to a number of Algonquin residents who were not in favor of the paving of the road. He was concerned about whether this road could be paved if all the residents were not in agreement and did not sign the road maintenance agreement. Van Steenhuyse will research this topic further.

Members discussed the possibility of starting to send revised portions of the ordinance to the attorney for his review. It was decided to wait until the total review was completed and the Go Back List had been handled.

OLD BUSINESS

A) Final Review of Lakes District, Chapter 22.

Members completed the review of Chapter 22 and the corresponding changes to Chapter 19.

B) Review of Draft of Chapter 30

Members reviewed part 1 of this chapter. Section 1 C. 14), Portable Signs, was added to the Go Back List.

C) Approval of Special 6/6/07 Meeting Minutes

The word, 'Special', was added to the second line of the title of the minutes.

Motion by Balk & supported by Porath to approve the 06/6/07 minutes as amended. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY .

NEW BUSINESS

A) Riparian Buffer Discussion

Balk felt the size of the buffer was extensive. There were some questions about being able to modify the Initiative as presented to fit the township's needs and about the fees for participating.

Motion by Ligon and supported by Balk to recommend to the Township Board that Putnam Township become a community partner in the Huron River Watershed Riparian Buffer Initiative as presented on 6/13/07. MOTION CARRIED (Lester abstained)

OTHER BUSINESS

A) There was a brief discussion on the value of sending some of the completed ordinance chapters to the law firm for review. Members decided to wait until all the revisions to the ordinance were complete so that the lawyers could review the entire package at once.

NEXT MEETING 7/11/07

A) Review of Draft of Chapter 30.

B) Discussion of items added to the Go Back List at the 3/14/07 meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Porath and supported by Lester to adjourn at 9:25 pm. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Ingrid Weisz

Recording Secretary