

**PUTNAM TOWNSHIP
PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING
April 23, 2008
MINUTES**

CALL TO ORDER

Chairperson Balk called the meeting to order at 7:01 pm. There were 3 citizens in attendance.

ROLL CALL

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

MEMBERS ABSENT: Gazdecki, Dobis.

OTHERS PRESENT: Ingrid Weisz, Recording Secretary.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion by Lester & supported by Porath to approve the agenda. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Under Zoning Board Report, "Presser" was corrected to "Press".

On p. 2 "Kim" was corrected to "Kimberly". Also on p. 2, added to condition 5 was "Any part not hard surface paved must use appropriate dust control."

Motion by Lester & supported by Balk to approve the 4/9/08 minutes as amended. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

CORRESPONDENCE

Members received the Huron River Watershed Report.

PLANNER'S REPORT none

ZONING BOARD REPORT No meeting

TOWNSHIP BOARD REPORT

Balk gave a summary of the last meeting.

LAND DIVISION REPORT No meeting

PUBLIC HEARINGS None

CALL TO THE PUBLIC

Opened Call to the Public at 7:08pm

Closed Call to the Public at 7:09pm

OLD BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

1) Discussion regarding change to Master Plan Future Land Use map for parcels 4714-26-200-005 and 4714-26-200-011. Parcels are currently Low Density Residential; discuss possibility of change to Local or General Business.

It seems this was meant to be commercial when the Land Use map was designed but did not get colored in correctly.

Motion by Lester and supported by Gannon to recommend parcel 4714-26-200-005 to be designated in the Future Land Use map as Local Business. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Kimberly Emery, 10219 Dexter-Pinckney Rd, asked to clarify the difference between General Business and Local Business.

Motion by Balk and supported by Lester to recommend parcel 4714-26-200-011 to be designated in the Future Land Use map as Local Business. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

2) Discussion regarding suitable location for M1 – Light Industrial.
Members discussed possible locations for M1. An area east of the Village on M-36 seemed possible since it had access to US 23. Other members felt it was too far from 23 to really be accessible. Property west of the village would mean extra traffic would be going through the village. They did not really want truck traffic in residential areas. Part of Fike's property north of the village seemed like a possibility. It would be closer to I96 & there would be no trucks going through a residential area. With the gas situation the way it is, Pinckney may be too far for companies depending on trucking. Members discussed putting off further discussion until after the Hendee decision in June.

Motion by Ligon and supported by Lester to recommend tabling this discussion until the June 25, 2008 meeting. MOTION CARRIED (Balk opposed)

Motion by Lester and supported by Ligon to recommend scheduling a public hearing for 5/28/08 to address the change in the Future Land Use map covering parcels 4714-26-200-005 and 4714-26-200-011 to change their designation to Local Business. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Members had a general discussion on the viability of commercial property east of the village.

OTHER BUSINESS None

NEXT MEETING 5/28/08 unless otherwise advised

CALL TO THE PUBLIC

Opened call at 8:40 pm

Kim Emery, 10219 Dexter Pinckney Road, asked if the township had designated any park area.

Closed call at 8:44 pm

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Lester and supported by Ligon to adjourn at 8:45 pm. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Ingrid Weisz

Recording Secretary