

**PUTNAM TOWNSHIP
PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING
April 8, 2009
MINUTES**

CALL TO ORDER

Chairperson Gannon called the meeting to order at 7:07 p.m. There were 6 citizens in attendance.

ROLL CALL

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

OTHERS PRESENT: Steven Van Steenhuyse, Planner (via teleconferencing), Ingrid Weisz, Recording Secretary.

CALL TO THE PUBLIC

Opened 7:07 p.m.

Closed 7:08 p.m.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Gannon moved New Business up to be discussed before Old Business.

Motion by Dobis & supported by Balk to approve the agenda as amended. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion by Balk & supported by Porath to approve the 3/25/09 minutes. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

CORRESPONDENCE

Gannon received information on a Low Impact Development discussion on 4/30/09 at Green Oak Township.

Gazdecki received new rules from the Michigan Recycling Commission.

PLANNER'S REPORT None

ZONING BOARD REPORT None

TOWNSHIP BOARD REPORT None

LAND DIVISION REPORT None

ZONING ADMINISTRATOR None

PUBLIC HEARINGS None

NEW BUSINESS

A) Interviews for Wetland Review Board

Dick Knopf and Bob Nester have submitted their names to the Commission to fill 2 spots on this board. There was confusion as to whether these were vacancies or term expirations; who had vacated the 2 positions; and what the term was for these positions. Gannon will consult with Rau.

Motion by Balk & supported by Dobis to recommend appointment of Bob Nester & Dick Knopf to 3 year terms on the Wetland Review Board. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

OLD BUSINESS

A) WECS Text Amendments & Public Hearing Draft

Van Steenhuyse went over his changes. Members discussed size, cost, & power produced by Wind Energy Conversion Systems. The energy produced by these systems would go into the DTE grid and the consumer would receive credit. There was some discussion about the need for lot area requirements to limit the height of a tower. Some members felt the setback requirements to be sufficient limitation.

B) St. Brendon area

This area was changed to RS3 to be more consistent.

C) Ordinance Issues List

There is still a question about whether Pinckney Elementary School is in the township or the village. The assessor says it is in the township; the county says it is in the village. Lewis is checking into it. The rest of the items on the list have been resolved.

OTHER BUSINESS None

NEXT MEETING

4/22/09 Public Hearing: Ed Bock Feeds, SLU, for on site custodial or security personnel space.

This is for an 864 square foot living area within a 4500 square foot building. Members were adamant that this space not be used as a residential rental.

5/13/09 Public Hearing: Ordinance Amendments (alternate date 5/27/09)

CALL TO THE PUBLIC

Opened at 8:31 p.m.

Closed at 8:32 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Ligon and supported by Porath to adjourn at 8:32 p.m. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**Ingrid Weisz
Recording Secretary**