

ISABELLA COUNTY  
PLANNING COMMISSION

April 10, 2014

A Regular Meeting of the Isabella County Planning Commission was held on April 10, 2014 in Room 225 of the Isabella County Building, 200 North Main Street, Mt. Pleasant, Michigan.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Gordon Gilchrist, Jerry Neyer, Cheryl Jindeel, , Jeremy Murphy, Kelly Bean, Phillip Vogel, Jim Horton

MEMBERS ABSENT: Evelyn Kent, Heather Turner

SUPPORT STAFF PRESENT: Tim Nieporte, Community Development Director  
Kim Kennedy, Recording Secretary  
Ray Johnson, Planner/Zoning Administrator

The meeting was called to order by Mr. Neyer at 7:00 pm.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by the Commission.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Mr. Neyer requested that the Board amended the agenda adding as #11 Farmland Agreement for Keith and Carol Omans.

A motion was made by Mr. Horton supported by Ms. Jindeel to approve the agenda as amended.

Yes: Gordon Gilchrist, Jerry Neyer, Cheryl Jindeel, , Jeremy Murphy, Kelly Bean, Phillip Vogel, Jim Horton

No: None

Motion carried.

**PREVIOUS MINUTES**

Minutes of the March 2014 regular meeting were circulated to the Commission prior to the meeting for their review.

A motion was made by Mr. Gilchrist supported by Mr. Murphy to approve the minutes as presented.

Yes: Gordon Gilchrist, Jerry Neyer, Cheryl Jindeel, Jeremy Murphy, Kelly Bean, Phillip Vogel

No: None.

Motion carried.

## **LIAISON REPORTS**

Zoning Board of Appeals – Mr. Gilchrist reported that the Zoning Board approved the variance for the Clare Auto Auction.

Parks & Recreation – Ms. Jindeel reported at last month's Parks and Recreation they reviewed financials and reported Coldwater Lakes camping numbers are the highest. Two new trucks were purchased. They are teaming with up with Shepherd and Blanchard to apply for grants for a Rails To Trails system with hopes to connect to the Pere Marquette Rail to Trails.

Board of Commissioners- Mr. Horton reported that Mr. Nieporte presented to the board the possibilities of sharing of GIS data service with Townships. The dog park was approved for funds from the County with the agreement that County residents would pay the same as City residents for use.

## **TOWNSHIP CONCERNS**

Jackie Curtis, Denver Township, had nothing to report.

Tom Gibbs, Gilmore Township, had nothing to report.

Bob Neeland, Isabella Township, had nothing to report.

## **PUBLIC COMMENT**

None heard.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### **Farmland Agreement(s) – Travis, Coe Township**

The application(s) were presented for the Planning Commission to review and comment. The all appear to be consistent with the Townships Master Plan and Zoning Ordinance as well as the County Master Plan and Zoning Ordinance therefore, upon consensus of the commission; staff will forward the application back to the Township Clerk.

### **Farmland Agreement – Sackett, Rolland Township**

The application was presented to the Planning Commission for review and comment. The application appears to be consistent with the County Master Plan and Zoning Ordinance therefore, upon consensus of the commission; staff will forward the application back to the County Clerk.

### **Farmland Agreement(s) – McDonald (Nottawa Farms LLC and Lincoln Farms LLC), Nottawa and Lincoln Twps**

The application(s) was presented to the Planning Commission for review and comment. The application(s) appear to be consistent with the County Master Plan and Zoning Ordinance therefore, upon consensus of the commission; staff will forward the application(s) back to the County Clerk.

**Farmland Agreement – Omans, Rolland Township**

The application was presented to the Planning Commission for review and comment. The application appears to be consistent with the County Master Plan and Zoning Ordinance therefore, upon consensus of the commission; staff will forward the application back to the County Clerk.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

None heard.

**STAFF COMMENTS**

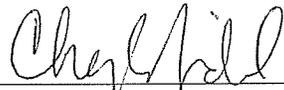
Mr. Neipote stated that the Clare Auto Action that was contingent on ZBA approval of the Variance was passed. Mr. Sampson was under way moving forward with the Auto Auction.

**PLANNING COMMISSIONER'S COMMENTS**

Ms. Jindeel wanted to welcome Ray Johnson to the Community Development Department.

**ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned by the call of the Chairperson at 7:14 p.m.



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Cheryl Jindeel, Secretary  
Kim Kerndy, Recording Secretary