ISABELLA COUNTY
PLANNING COMMISSION

August 13, 2015

A Regular Meeting of the Isabella County Planning Commission was held on August 13, 2015 in Room 225 of the Isabella County Building, 200 North Main Street, Mt. Pleasant, Michigan.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Gordon Gilchrist, Jim Horton, Phillip Vogel, Nancy White, Tim O'Neil, Kelly Bean, Ann Silker, Jeremy Murphy

MEMBERS ABSENT: None

SUPPORT STAFF PRESENT: Ray Johnson, Planner/Zoning Administrator
Kim Kennedy, Recording Secretary

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

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by the Commission.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Mr. Johnson requested an amendment to the agenda to add the resignation of Cheryl Jindeel and the

election of a new secretary

Mr. Bean requested that the amended agenda be approved.

A motion was made by Mr. Murphy supported by Ms. White to approve the amended agenda as presented.

Yes: Gordon Gilchrist, Jim Horton, Phillip Vogel, Nancy White, Tim O'Neil, Kelly Bean, Ann Silker, Jeremy Murphy

No: None

Motion carried

PREVIOUS MINUTES

Minutes of the May 2015 regular meeting were circulated to the Commission prior to the meeting for their review.

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

Yes: Gordon Gilchrist, Jim Horton, Phillip Vogel, Nancy White, Tim O'Neil, Kelly Bean, Ann Silker, Jeremy Murphy
No: None

Motion carried

LIAISON REPORTS

Zoning Board of Appeals – Mr. Gilchrist reported that the Board had one variance at the last meeting for a land division and was approved.

Parks & Recreation – Mr. Murphy reported that there was a dedication of the new Dog Park and the new boat launch at Coldwater Lake Family Park. He also reported that the Parks have started the budget process.

Board of Commissioners – Mr. Horton informed that the Board of Commissioners had set out RFP's for the wage classification and copiers. The Board are look at the jail either remodel or expansion. Department budgets should be completed soon.

TOWNSHIP CONCERNS – None

PUBLIC COMMENT – None

NEW BUSINESS

Nomination and appointment of new Secretary – Nancy White was nominated to be the new Secretary of the Board.
A motion was made by Ms. White supported by Mr. Murphy to approve Nancy White as new secretary.

Yes: Gordon Gilchrist, Jim Horton, Phillip Vogel, Nancy White, Tim O'Neil, Kelly Bean, Ann Silker, Jeremy Murphy
No: None

Motion carried

Mr. Johnson requested for a date change to the next Board meeting due to conflict with conference for Mr. Nieporte and himself. He was requesting for September 17, 2015 at 7:00 pm to be the next schedule meeting.

A motion was made by Mr. Gilchrist supported by Ms. White to change the date of the September

meeting to September 17, 2015 at 7:00 p.m. room 225.

Yes: Gordon Gilchrist, Jim Horton, Phillip Vogel, Nancy White, Tim O'Neil, Kelly Bean, Ann Silker, Jeremy Murphy
No: None

Motion carried

Mr. Johnson presented information to the Board on Agricultural land in Isabella County and how the ordinance currently allows for land to be divided in the AG-1 and AG-2 districts. Mr. Johnson spoke on some matters brought forth to staff by residents and provided the Board with a potential language amendment to the ordinance to be reviewed further at the next meeting.

PUBLIC COMMENT – None

STAFF COMMENTS – None

PLANNING COMMISSIONER'S COMMENTS - None

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Mr. Murphy to adjourn the meeting seconded by Mr. Vogel at 7:40 p.m.

Nancy White, Secretary