
COUNTY OF ALLEGAN

PLANNING COMMISSION



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AGENDA

Meeting Date: March 10, 2008
Meeting Time: 1:30 P.M.
Location: County Services Complex at Dumont Lake
Human Services Building, Spartan Room

1. Call to Order.
2. Roll Call.
3. Approval of Agenda.
4. Approval of Meeting Minutes from January 14, 2008 and February 11, 2008.
5. Approval of Expenditures as of March 3, 2008.
6. Public Participation.
7. Discussion and Presentation Items:
8. Commission Business:
 - a. Reimbursement for attendance to non-Planning Commission committees
 - b. Swearing in of new members – Kelle Tobolic, Dawn Buist
 - c. Description of officer duties
 - d. Description of subcommittee duties
 - e. Final approval of revisions to bylaws as recommended by the Board of Commissioners
 - f. Amendment to the bylaws:
 - i. There is a discrepancy in the bylaws for the following sections:
 - ARTICLE IV – OFFICERS, Section 2. A chairperson shall preside at all meetings and shall conduct all meetings in accordance with the rules provided herein. The vice-chairperson shall act in the capacity of the chairperson and shall succeed to the office of chairperson in the event of a vacancy in that office, in which case the Allegan County Planning Commission shall select a successor to the office of vice-chairperson at the earliest practicable time.
 - ARTICLE VI – ELECTION OF OFFICERS, Section 2. Any vacancy created in the offices of the Chairperson or Vice-Chairperson shall be filled by election of the Allegan County Planning Commission and any vacancy in the office of Secretary shall be filled by appointment by the Allegan County Planning Commission.
 - ii. Revision to bylaws:
 - ARTICLE VIII – RULES, Section 1. A quorum consists of six (6) members and an affirmative vote of a majority present at the duly constituted meeting shall be necessary to pass any motion or resolution.
 - iii. Addition to bylaws:
 - Only the Chairman shall be permitted to cancel a meeting due to lack of quorum. The cancellation of a meeting must abide by guidelines of the Open Meetings Act.
 - Excused absences.

9. Continuing Education:

- a. Helping Communities Protect Water Resources Workshop
 - \$95 per person; \$75 for MCP's.
 - Registration deadline: March 13, 2008
 - Includes lunch and resource material.
 - March 27, 2008
 - Grand Rapids, Michigan

9. Communications:

10. Final Actions Received:

- a. Otsego Township – Enacted Zoning Ordinance amendments to Art. 3, 7, 8, 9, 13, 23, 24.

11. Received for Notice:

12. Received for Information:

- a. M-40/M-89 Corridor Committee Draft Minutes, October 30, 2007
- b. M-40/M-89 Corridor Committee Agenda, January 29, 2008
- c. Gun Plain Township - Notice of Intent to Update Master Land Use Plan, January 31, 2008
- d. Board of Commissioners elect Kelle Tobolic, February 14, 2008
- e. Board of Commissioners elect Dawn Buist, February 14, 2008
- f. Announcement of Coastal and Estuarine Land Acquisition Funding Opportunitites

13. Received for Review:

14. Gun Plain Township Rezoning Request – Vogeler

Change zoning from AG to R-3 conditional (contract) for Parcel Number 08-021-010-10. Denied by the Township Planning Commission on January 16, 2008. Does not comply with the Township Master Plan.

Reasons for action taken:

- Even though conditional for single family use only and elimination of a non-conforming use, the commission indicated this to be spot zoning and would not be compatible.

Ayes 6; Nays 0; Absent 1; Abstaining 0

15. Gun Plain Township Rezoning Request – Vogeler

Change zoning from AG to R-2 (low density residential) for Parcel Number 08-034-012-00. Approved by the Township Planning Commission on February 20, 2008. Complies with the Township Master Plan.

Reasons for action taken:

- Compatible with land use.
- Compatible with existing uses in the area.
- Requested zoning classification is appropriate

Ayes 6; Nays 0; Absent 1; Abstaining 0

16. Salem Township Zoning Ordinance Amendment – Bouterse

An ordinance to amend the Salem Township Zoning Ordinance for the purposes of redefining the purpose and intent, uses permitted and special land uses permit, area regulations, site development and operational standards and building material standards of the C-1 general business district and I-1 light industrial district; to modify the parking requirements for certain land uses; to enact street access and landscape and screening standards applicable to commercial, industrial and certain other uses and developments and various other changes. Approved by the Township Planning Commission on February 7, 2008.

Reasons for action taken:

- Redefine purpose and intent of various items in C-1 and I-1.
- Modify parking requirements.

- Street access/landscape and various other changes.
- Ayes 7; Nays 0; Absent 0; Abstaining 0

17. Salem Township Zoning Ordinance Amendment – Bouterse

An ordinance to amend the Salem Township Zoning Ordinance for the purposes of conforming to the Michigan Zoning Enabling Act, including publication and delivery of notice of public hearings, elimination of references to the Rural Township Zoning Act, and various other changes. Approved by the Township Planning Commission on February 7, 2008.

Reasons for action taken:

- Conforming to the Michigan Zoning Enabling Act 2008.02 for publication and delivery of notices of public hearings and various other changes.

Ayes 7; Nays 0; Absent 0; Abstaining 0

Standing Committee Reports:

18. L.I.S. – Valdis Kalnins, Director

19. Growth Management Plan Committee – Vogeler

- a. Update on budget proposal - Kalnins

20. Work Program Committee – Pardee

21. Dept. of Public Works – Rininger

22. Parks Commission / Recreation & Tourism – Spreitzer

23. Region 8 – Burns

24. Resource Recovery – Hinz

25. Board of Commissioners – Burns, Spreitzer

26. Education – Vacant

27. Discussion and Presentation Items:

28. Public Participation:

29. Round Table:

30. Adjournment:

The next regular meeting of the Allegan County Planning Commission will be held on **Monday, April 14, 2008 at 1:30 P.M.**, in the Human Services Building, County Services Complex, 3255 – 122nd Avenue, Allegan, Michigan.