
COUNTY OF ALLEGAN

PLANNING COMMISSION



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AMENDED AGENDA

Meeting Date: August 9, 2010
Meeting Time: 1:30 P.M.
Location: County Services Complex at Dumont Lake
Human Services Building, Karl Zimmerman Room

1. Call to Order.
2. Roll Call.
3. Approval of Agenda.
4. Approval of Meeting Minutes from July 12, 2010.
5. Approval of Expenditures as of August 4, 2010.
6. Public Participation.
7. Discussion and Presentation Items:
Allegan County Jail Presentation – Byce/RQAW
8. Commission Business:
9. Continuing Education:
10. Communications:
11. Final Actions Received:
Laketown Township enacted the request to change zoning from AG to I-1 for the south half of Parcel Number 03-11-031-001-00. Final action approved by the Township Board on July 14, 2010.

Ayes 5; Nays 0; Absent 0; Abstaining 0
12. Received for Notice:
13. Received for Information:
State of Michigan – Department of Agriculture
Landowners who have completed contracts with the State of Michigan under the Farmland and Open Space Preservation Act of 1974.
14. Received for Review:

15. Martin Township Ordinance Amendment – Vogeler

The proposed text amendment would make changes to Section 4.27 of the zoning ordinance that regulates the removal and processing of top soil, sand, gravel, or other such minerals or earth minerals. These amendments will allow AG districts to excavate on their own property without having to obtain a Special Exception Use Permit. The proposed language clarifies the zoning districts that do not need permits (AG, R-1 and I-1). The qualifying conditions of constructing a building or pond was removed. AG districts can move earth minerals from one parcel to another. The request was approved by the Local Planning Commission on July 20, 2010.

Reasons for action taken:

- The Township Board had requested this change after conflict arose between gravel pit operators and AG district owners. These changes address some long standing issues which have caused dispute and recognizes the farmer’s interest in using his land for AG purposes.

Ayes 6; Nays 0; Absent 1; Abstaining 0

16. Laketown Township Rezoning Request – Burns

Change zoning from R-1 Rural Estate to R-2 Low Density Residential for Parcel Number 03-11-034-043-00. The request was approved by the Local Planning Commission on July 7, 2010.

Reasons for action taken:

- The proposed zoning complies with the Local Unit Master Plan.
- The proposed zoning is consistent with land use in the area.
- The change would make entire parcel in the same zoning district.

Ayes 5; Nays 0; Absent 0; Abstaining 0

17. Heath Township Rezoning Request – Ramey

Change zoning from R-2 Residential to C-1 Commercial for Parcel Number 03-09-006-119-10. The request was approved by the Local Planning Commission on May 25, 2010.

Reasons for action taken:

- The proposed zoning complies with the Local Unit Master Plan.
- The PC received a document showing approval by the Commission for C-1 Zoning in 1986. This document shows a legal description assumed to include the parcel in question.
- After researching Township minutes from 1986 when the property was to have been rezoned, nothing was found to indicate the change had been made.
- The PC recommends the zoning be changed as there has been a business there since 1986 and complies with the zoning map.

Ayes 5; Nays 0; Absent 0; Abstaining 0

Standing Committee Reports:

18. L.I.S. – Valdis Kalnins, Director

19. County Master Plan Committee – Vogeler

20. Work Program Committee – Pardee

21. Dept. of Public Works – Rininger

22. Parks Commission / Recreation & Tourism – Tobolic, Spreitzer

23. Region 8 – Burns

24. Resource Recovery – Hinz

25. Board of Commissioners – Burns, Spreitzer

26. Education – Buist

27. Discussion and Presentation Items:

M-40/M-89 Corridor Committee Meeting – Voss

28. Public Participation:

29. Round Table:

30. Adjournment:

The next regular meeting of the Allegan County Planning Commission will be held on **Monday, September 13, 2010 at 1:30 P.M.**, in the Human Services Building, County Services Complex, 3255 – 122nd Avenue, Allegan, Michigan.