

## Summary of 2010 Watson Township Planning Commission Activity

### January Meeting

Jim Baas, PC member since 2002, has resigned his position. Bruce Bos has been appointed to open position on Planning Commission. Mark Bauer of Bauer Power provided presentation on wind/solar power.

Present: Dave Carter, Beverly McKinnon, Michelle Harris, Troy Baker, and Barbara Wroblewski. Absent: Rod Zeinstra.

### February Meeting

New member, Bruce Bos introduced. Review of PC officer duties referring to by laws, and rules of procedure. Election of officers: Dave Carter, Chairperson, Beverly McKinnon, Vice Chairperson, Secretary, Barbara Wroblewski. Dawn Weick present to ask for a continuance for her dog kennel operation(an annual review). Motion made to extend SUP for another year(expires on March 31, 2011). Meeting dates were set for 2010, and January, and February of 2011. March 24, 2010, May 26, 2010, July 28<sup>th</sup>, 2010, September 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2010, December 1<sup>st</sup>, 2010, January 26<sup>th</sup>, 2011, and February 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2011. Special meetings to be called when necessary.

Budget cuts-salaries from \$5000 to \$2500, and professional services from \$10,000 to \$2500.

Review of gravel mines-agreed that PCI will take care of this.

Present: Dave Carter, Beverly McKinnon, Michelle Harris, Troy Baker, Rod Zeinstra, Bruce Bos, and Barbara Wroblewski.

### March Meeting

Discussion on adopting zoning language for wood burners, wind and solar energy. Leon Atayan-2061, 116<sup>th</sup> Ave. wanted his property zoned to A2(currently R2). A rezoning application was sent to him.

Present: Dave Carter, Beverly McKinnon, Michelle Harris, Bruce Bos, Troy Baker, Barbara Wroblewski. Absent: Rod Zeinstra.

### May Meeting

Beverly McKinnon, Michelle Harris, and Barbara Wroblewski attended a seminar at Fillmore Center about wood burners, and solar/wind energy. Discussion ensued regarding how we could incorporate what they learned into our planned ordinances for same subjects. Motion was made to close the SUP involving the Simpson Sand Mine. Review of the GAAMP(Generally Accepted Agricultural Management Practices) for farm markets. This does not pertain to our township.

Present: Dave Carter, Beverly McKinnon, Michelle Harris, Bruce Bos, Troy Baker, and Barbara Wroblewski. Absent: Rod Zeinstra.

### July Meeting

Discussion of new laws governing medical marihuana dispensaries. Reviewed more pass outs from other townships related to wood burners, and wind/solar energy. Present:

Beverly McKinnon, Bruce Bos, Rod Zeinstra, Troy Baker, and Barb Wroblewski. Absent: Dave Carter, and Michelle Harris.

#### September Meeting

More discussion on the medical marihuana dispensaries. The PC would like to see how the townships around Watson handle this issue. We also reviewed more info related to wood burners, and wind/solar energy. Present: Dave Carter, Beverly McKinnon, Michelle Harris, Bruce Bos, Troy Baker, Rod Zeinstra, and Barbara Wroblewski.

#### December Meeting

John Langlois of 3310 26<sup>th</sup> St., Hopkins, Mi. 49328 requested a special land use permit to develop and operate a 'contractors yard' on his property located along 121<sup>st</sup> Ave. He has requested a public hearing and one was granted for February 23, 2011 (two first planned meetings were cancelled for various reasons). Present: Dave Carter, Beverly McKinnon, Michelle Harris, Bruce Bos, Rod Zeinstra, Troy Baker, and Barbara Wroblewski.

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