

Watson Township Planning Commission
Regular Meeting
September 22, 2010

1. Call meeting to order

Chairperson David Carter called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

2. Pledge of Allegiance: All recited the pledge.

3. Roll call

Present: David Carter, Beverly McKinnon, Michelle Harris, Bruce Bos, Rod Zeinstra, Troy Baker, and Barbara Wroblewski. Visitors present Gary Davis.

4. Approval of Minutes

Beverly made the motion to accept the July 28th, 2010 minutes. Seconded by Michelle. All approved.

5. Public Comments and Communications

None

6. Approval of Agenda

Troy made the motion to accept the Agenda. Seconded by Bruce. All approved.

7. New Business

1. Marijuana Dispensaries.

Dave reported that Mark has been working on this and some townships have adopted zoning rules. It is legal to grow marijuana with government approval and to follow Federal Laws. Some laws are still up in the air. Discussion. When the planning commission has Mark present, we will discuss this item more and maybe make suggestions at that time.

2. ZBA activity-Big Lake Property

Dave told the planning commission about the problems ZBA had with the property on Big Lake. Very interesting. It is finally sort of settled.

8. Old Business

1. Review wind power/solar energy/wood burners zoning ordinance reference material

After much discussion, it was suggested to deal with the wood burners first, solar second, and wind third. Rod had a lot of papers on wood burners and made copies for all members. Rod suggested that he get the papers to the township board and ask them if the Planning Commission should adopt something on wood burners for the township. The

planning commission had papers from Mark about wood burners too. Rod had made copies off the computer about wood burners for the planning commission and they are word for word the same at Mark sent to the planning commission. Rod is going to ask the township board about getting a copy of the Master Plan. It seems the Township Board has a copy of the new plan but no one on the Planning Commission has one. Dave asked the planning commission to read over the hand outs before the December 1st meeting. We will review them then.

9. Any other Business/on going Business

None

10. Adjourn Meeting

Michelle made the motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:32pm. Seconded by Bruce. All approved.

Barbara Wroblewski

-Barbara Wroblewski