

ALGOMA TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION MINUTES
Tuesday, August 21, 2007

A meeting of the Algoma Township Planning Commission was held on Tuesday, August 21, 2007, at 7:00 P.M. The meeting was held at the Algoma Township Hall located at 10531 Algoma Ave., Rockford, MI 49341.

Chairman Witham called the meeting to ORDER at 7:02 P.M. and led in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

PRESENT: Chairman Witham, Vice-Chairman Newberger, Secretary Poolman, Members Bigney, Ensley, Heminger, and Lecceadone.

Also Present: Supervisor Hoemke, Site Plan Review Committee Members Bates and Sjogren, Township Attorney Brown, and 3 citizens.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Minute of the July 17, 2007, meeting - Vice-Chairman Newberger motioned to APPROVE the minutes of the July 17, 2007, meeting as presented, seconded by Member Bigney. The motion PASSED.

Acceptance of Site Plan Review Committee's report - There was no report submitted.

AGENDA APPROVAL:

Member Bigney motioned to APPROVE the agenda as presented, seconded by Member Heminger. The motion PASSED.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

There were no public comments.

CORRESPONDENCE SENT & RECEIVED:

Building Inspector's report - It was reported that nothing much was happening.

Any Other Correspondence - There was no other correspondence received.

Vice-Chairman Newberger asked Commission members if they had seen the article in the Grand Rapids Press regarding "Courtland Crossings", Manufactured Housing Community, requested rezoning and

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Site Plan Review Committee Member Sjogren stated the Centennial Communications Site Plan #0512 was never completed. They had installed a preliminary electrical connection cabinet but nothing else.

Mrs. Hockey, the land owner, said she discontinued any negotiations with Centennial.

The Planning Commission asked the Planning Department to send Centennial a letter informing them that because they had not "diligently pursued" the completion of their site plan and the 1-Year deadline had expired, the Site Plan #0512 was VOIDED.

The Commission reviewed a report from communications professional, Drew Wireless, dated August 9, 2007. It was noted that cabinets from the tower's owner were never labeled with contact information.

Mr. Kuszpit asked that the Commission not make that a condition of their site plan approval because they are competitors with A.T. & T. but they would be sure to label their own cabinets with contact information. He said the Commission should call the builder for signage.

Member Heminger agreed and said Building Inspector Bates should see this gets completed.

Property owner, Mrs. Hockey, said she could get the contact information on the owner to the office so they could be contacted.

Vice-Chairman Newberger motioned to APPROVE the Resolution for Site Plan #0709, T-Mobile Special Land Use for co-location of an antenna platform on an existing communications tower, amending item (m), on Page 4, that their equipment cabinets be labeled with contact information including name and phone number as recommended by Drew Wireless, seconded by Secretary Poolman. The motion PASSED unanimously.

TABLED BUSINESS:

SITE PLAN #0608 (O.S.-P.U.D. RESIDENTIAL)

**METROSPEC, LLC
8927 Wolven Ave.**

**Mailing Address:
4165 Prarie Ave., SW**

Rockford, MI 49341
Parcel #41-06-35-100-024

Grandville, MI 49418

Review Committee Member Sjogren reported a Consultant's Review meeting has been scheduled for Wednesday, the 29th of August to review plans and start the process again.

Chairman Witham asked if the Review Committee could find how many vacant, approved lots are in the township currently.

NEW BUSINESS:

There was no New Business.

Member Heminger asked what could be done with Meijer letting their landscaping die.

The Commission asked that a letter be sent to Meijer addressing this issue.

ON-GOING BUSINESS:

Tickler File - Is attached to and part of these minutes.

Master Plan Update - Supervisor Hoemke stated this has been approved by the Township Board and surrounding municipalities have been sent the amendments. The time period to receive comments from municipalities started counting down.

Ordinance Amendments - There were none.

Representative Reports -

Township Board: Member Bigney reported they reviewed the tax rate, addressed the Camp Lake weed control assessments, wrote of *OFF the Par Five bill, and approved the contract for Frey's Landscaping for snow plowing.

Board of Appeals: Secretary Poolman stated there was not an August meeting.

Any Other On-Going Business - There was no On-Going Business.

*CORRECTION PER 10/16/07 MINUTES

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NEXT MONTH'S MEETING: Tuesday, September 18, 2007.

ADJOURNMENT:

Member Bigney motioned to ADJOURN the meeting. The meeting was ADJOURNED.

Jack Poolman, Secretary

Julie M. Sjogren, Recording Secretary