



Lenawee County Planning Commission

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MEETING MINUTES

Thursday, December 20, 2018

Old Lenawee County Courthouse • 2nd Floor Commission Chambers • Adrian, Michigan

Members Present: Mr. Bob Behnke, Education Representative; Mr. Keith Dersham, LCPC Secretary; Ms. Rebecca Liedel, LCPC Chair; Mr. Bruce Nickel; and Mr. Dale Witt

Members Absent: Ms. Karol (KZ) Bolton, Lenawee County Commission, and Mr. Ralph Tillotson, Lenawee County Commission

Others Present: Mr. Grant Bauman, LCPC Staff/Recording Secretary.

Item 1 **Call to order** — The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by Chair Liedel. Those in attendance rose and joined in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Item 2 **Public comment** — None.

Item 3 **Approval of Agenda** — Staff submitted the 12/20/18 meeting agenda for approval.

A motion was made by Comm. Behnke, and seconded by Comm. Nickel, to approve the December 20, 2018, meeting agenda as presented. *The motion passed unanimously.*

Item 4 **Approval of Minutes** — Staff submitted the 11/15/18 meeting minutes for approval.

A motion was made by Comm. Dersham, and seconded by Comm. Nickel, to approve the November 15, 2018, meeting minutes as presented. *The motion passed unanimously.*

Item 5 **Request(s) for Review, Comment, and Recommendation**

a. **Consideration of Township Zoning Amendment(s)**

Comm. Nickel explained to the Commission that he is the Building Official for 4 Townships, including Cambridge Township. He is also the Zoning Administrator for Franklin Township. He clarified that he is not involved in the Cambridge Township Planning Commission, but does answer zoning questions from time to time, and asked if he should abstain. Given that he will not gain personally from any of the cases, it was the consensus of the Planning Commission that he should vote. However, he should abstain from voting on Franklin Township zoning requests since he serves as its Zoning Administrator.

(1) **#18-14 | Cambridge Township** — Commissioners reviewed proposed text amendments to Chapter 36 (Zoning) of the Cambridge Township Code of Ordinances regarding solar farm facilities. Staff advised recommending disapproval of the text amendments, citing too many issues with the proposed amendments at this time (see the staff report). Commissioners discussed the substantive issues described in the report as well as the format changes suggested by staff.

A motion was made by Comm. Behnke, and seconded by Comm. Liedel, to recommend disapproval with staff comments of the proposed text amendments to the Cambridge Township Board. *The motion passed unanimously.*

- (2) **#18-15 | Cambridge Township** — Commissioners reviewed proposed text amendments to Chapter 36 (Zoning) of the Cambridge Township Code of Ordinances regarding the temporary occupancy of mobile homes, motor homes, and travel trailers during the period of construction of new permanent dwellings. Staff advised recommending disapproval of the text amendments with comments, suggesting that the agricultural district be added to Sec. 36-581 given that dwellings are a permitted use in that district as well (see the staff report). Commissioners also discussed the time and septic requirements.

A motion was made by Comm. Nickel, and seconded by Comm. Witt, to recommend approval with comments of the proposed rezoning to the Cambridge Township Board. *The motion passed unanimously.*

- b. **Consideration of PA 116 Farmland Agreement(s)** — None.
- c. **Consideration of Master Plan(s)** — None.

Item 6 **Other Business**

- a. **Old Business** — None.
- b. **New Business** — None.

Item 7 **Public Comment** — None.

Item 8 **Commissioner Comment** — None.

Item 9 **Adjournment.** The meeting was adjourned at 7:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted,



Grant E. Bauman, Recording Secretary