

Colfax Township, Weldon Township and Village of Thompsonville
Community Joint Planning Commission
14731 Thompson Avenue, Thompsonville, MI 48683
Minutes – Special Meeting – May 22, 2012

The meeting was called to order at 6:36PM by Sue Meredith followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Present at roll call: Shelley Greene, Sue Meredith, Bryan Matthews, Don Suchocki and Debra Franke. Absent: Marty Lonn, Jack Richter, Peggy Minster, Pat Workman (excused), Eugene Allen (unexcused).

Agenda Additions/Corrections. Don moved, seconded by Bryan, to accept the agenda as presented. Motion carried.

Review/Update Master Plan. Copies of updated draft plans were reviewed with brief discussion on the areas with the most changes. Members discussed renewable energy in the community and the need to be sure it is appropriately addressed in the master plan. Drafts will be distributed to absent members for their review. It was noted that the deadline for making changes is fast approaching. Members agreed to schedule a special meeting on May 30 at 6:30PM for another review prior to the regular June 7 meeting. Discussion was held on the plan adoption process and the MPEA section regarding legislative bodies' approval. Debra moved, seconded by Don, that the JPC adopt a resolution it would approve the joint master plan for final adoption. More discussion followed; motion was withdrawn. Issue was tabled until the May 30 meeting.

Next Steps. Copies for the board/council officials could possibly be ready by June 7 depending on timing for changes/corrections. Shelley will alert the Colfax Township webmaster of the coming draft master plan and the urgency to get it uploaded quickly. In addition to the website, a copy of the draft will be available in the library for public review. Also, the joint planning commission and board/council officials may share their copy with anyone who is interested.

Letters of Interest – Zoning Administrator. Sue will contact Dick Figura regarding ZA employment. Each applicant's qualifications were carefully considered in the selection process. Letters of thanks will be sent to those not selected. Three were chosen to be interviewed and will be notified that the joint planning commission plans to conduct interviews on July 5.

Adjournment. Don moved to adjourn, seconded by Bryan. Meeting adjourned at 9:12PM. A special meeting is scheduled for May 30 at 6:30PM, and the regular meeting is June 7 at 7:00PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Shelley Greene
Secretary

Minutes are proposed until approved at the next meeting.