

Colfax Township, Weldon Township and Village of Thompsonville  
Community Joint Planning Commission  
14714 Lincoln Avenue, Thompsonville, MI 49683  
January 31, 2015 Public Hearing Minutes

Sue Meredith declared the meeting open at 1:00 P.M. following the Pledge of Allegiance.

Present at roll call: JPC members Jack Richter, Shelley Greene, Peggy Minster, Sue Meredith, Don Suchocki, Chris Jones and Debra Franke; alternate Irene Dunham Thayer and Zoning Administrator Craig Meredith. Absent: Sally Bobek (excused), Mike Foust and Amy Hanson (unexcused). Eugene Allen arrived at 1:30 P.M.

Guests in attendance: Carrie Aldrich, Mark Eidelson, Ron Evitts, Ron Hitesman, Jim MacGirr, Flo Smith and Charles Syer.

Chairperson Meredith provided an introduction to the public hearing which included background on the JPC, adoption of the Master Plan in 2012, steps taken by the JPC to develop a Joint Zoning Ordinance and the purpose of the public hearing. She introduced Mark Eidelson who gave a presentation which focused on the zoning map, zoning districts and nonconforming structures.

Chairperson Meredith opened the public comment portion of the meeting. Ron Hitesman, Weldon Township, acknowledged the time and effort involved with the draft ordinance and expressed appreciation. Ron Evitts, Colfax Township, wished to reiterate Mr. Hitesman's comments. Charles Syer, Village of Thompsonville, asked if there would be additional opportunity for public comment. He was informed comments could be made at JPC meetings which are public and the next one is February 5. Mr. Eidelson's closing remarks covered JPC communication with the legislative bodies and options to conduct single or joint meetings to explore any issues. Mr. Evitts commented the public he spoke were surprised at the length of time to develop the ordinance.

Final comments by the Chairperson were followed by a motion to adjourn by Jack Richter, seconded by Debra Franke at 1:50 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Shelley Greene  
Secretary

*Minutes are proposed until approved at the next meeting.*