

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING AND PUBLIC
HEARING OF LEE TOWNSHIP
PLANNING COMMISSION, WHICH TOOK PLACE ON TUESDAY,
JULY 7, 2015
7:00 P.M., LEE TOWNSHIP FIRE BARN, MIDLAND, MICHIGAN**

PRESENT: Planning Commissioners- Tom York, Linda Taylor, Mari Spraul, Mike Spitnale and Laura Dawson

ABSENT: None

OTHERS PRESENT: William Maki

Open Time: Mari Spraul called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm

Minutes: Tom York made a motion to approve the minutes from June 2, 2015 as written. Mike Spitnale seconded the motion. All in favor. Motion passed.

CORRESPONDENCE: A letter was received from Gary and Roberta (Bobbi) Chapman in favor of William Maki's Special Use Permit Application (Cottage Industry). The Planning Commission also received comments/recommendations on the draft of Lee Township Master Plan Update.

- ➔ Tom York made a motion to approve the agenda. Laura Dawson seconded the motion. All in favor.
- ➔ Tom York made a motion to leave the regular meeting and open the Public Hearing. Linda Taylor seconded the motion. All in favor.

PUBLIC HEARING: William Maki explained his intent for his Special Use Permit Application (Cottage Industry). A home is being built which will include an area for a farm store along with an area for screen printing. Planning Commissioners asked Mr. Maki questions about signs. The possibility of a dumpster was discussed. Landscaping was also covered. With Agriculture a sign is permitted at the road. He is also allowed a sign at each store front to identify that business. He is requesting to have them above the doors.

As there was no Public Comment Tom York made a motion to close the Public Hearing and re-open the regular meeting. Linda Taylor seconded the motion. All in favor.

Tom York made a motion to approve William Maki's Special Use Permit Application (Cottage Industry), as long as sign requirements are met and if a dumpster is needed at any time it is to be screened.

Mari Spraul made a motion to amend Tom York's motion to include the acceptance of the signs on the building and the Farm Sign at the road as they meet the regulations of Township's Zoning Ordinance. Mike Spitnale seconded the motion. A roll call was taken: Mike Spitnale: yes, Mari Spraul: yes, Tom York: yes, Linda Taylor: yes and Laura Dawson: yes.

TOPIC OF DISCUSSION:

Old Business: Linda Taylor gave Laura Dawson a copy of (our) list of possible Text Amendments. Laura will type it to give to all Planning Commissioners. Linda also supplied Mari Spraul with some History information for the Master Plan update. Mari Spraul will also check with a long time Township resident for more historical information.

We are working on completing the recommendations from Midland County Planning Commission for the update of the Master Plan. GIS is working on a Zoning Map. Due to these two items, the Planning Commissioners felt it best to schedule the Public Hearing for September 1, 2015.

Laura Dawson made a motion to table all work on any possible Text Amendments and Updates of Special Use and Site Plan Review Forms. Mike Spittale seconded the motion. All in favor.

New Business: A Site Plan Review Packet was given to all Planning Commissioners. Jeremy Stanford is proposing to install a canopy and propane dispensers at 119 W. Isabella Rd. As all information is complete the date for said hearing is set for Tuesday July 28, 2015 at 2:00 pm at Lee Township Fire Barn.

ADJOURNMENT: Linda Taylor made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Tom York seconded the motion. All in favor. Meeting was adjourned at 9:00 pm.

Submitted by Laura Dawson

Planning Commission Secretary