

Acting Chairman Gould called the Metamora Township Planning Commission regular meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. at the Metamora Township Hall, 730 W. Dryden Road, Metamora, Michigan.

**Members Present:** George Nash, Lance Gould, Phil Bellinger, Ann Derderian, Roger Hamilton and Kevin Knisely

**Members Absent:** None (Township Board to elect new Planning Commission member)

**Also Present:** Township Planner Scott Kree and Township Planning Coordinator Bud Fackler

Planning Coordinator Fackler introduced Scott Kree, the new planner from ROWE. Planning Coordinator Fackler announced the passing of Planning Commissioner Ken Fenbert. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

**Approval of Agenda**

**Motion by Member Nash, support by Member Derderian, to approve the agenda with the correction of the year at the top of the page changed to 2015. Motion carried, all voting aye.**

**Approval of Meeting Minutes**

Acting Chairman Gould noted there were meeting minutes for approval from December 10, 2014. **Motion by Member Derderian, support by Member Nash, to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of December 10, 2014, as presented. Motion carried, all voting aye.** Member Nash noted this was the first Planning Commission this year and last year there were agenda items for only four meetings.

**Public Comments (on items not on the Agenda)**

None.

**New Business**

**A. Election of Officers/Meeting Dates.**

Board discussion. Motion by Bellinger, support by Derderian to nominate George Nash as Chairman. Motion carried 6-0. Motion by Derderian, support by Hamilton to nominate Lance Gould as Vice-Chair. Motion carried 6-0. Motion by Nash, support by Knisely, to nominate Roger Hamilton as Secretary. Motion carried 6-0. **Motion by Member Derderian, support by Member Nash, to close the nominations. Motion carried 6-0. Motion by Member Bellinger, support by Member Derderian, to elect the officers as nominated. Motion carried 6-0.**

**Motion by Member Derderian, support by Member Bellinger to approve te 2015 Regular Planning Commission meeting dates as presented on the attached sheet. Motion carried 6-0.**

- B. Update from Scott Kree/ROWE Professional Services Company on:**
- **Proposed Medical Marihuana Act Amendments.**

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- **Amendments to MZEA regarding Telecommunication Towers/Amateur Radio Towers.**
- **Internet Sweepstake Cafes/Skill Arcades.**
- **Proposed Religious Freedom Restoration Act Impact on Zoning.**

Planner Kree passed out to the Board his presentation materials dated April 8, 2015. Board discussion on proposed new law regulating medical marihuana dispensaries. Planner Kree relayed changes to the Federal Telecommunications Act in 2014 and its affect on the current zoning ordinance. Board discussion on internet sweepstake cafes and skill arcades which are becoming more prevalent in neighboring communities. Discussion was held on the proposed "Michigan religious freedom restoration act" introduced in January in the Michigan Senate.

**Unfinished Business**

None.

**Communications and/or Committee Report**

Nothing at this time.

**Matters for Discussion from the Commission Members**

Nothing at this time.

**Township Planner Report - ROWE Professional Services Company**

Nothing further.

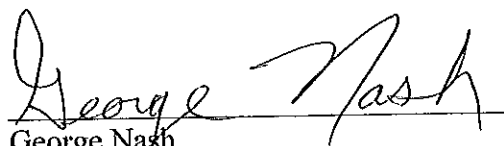
**Township Planning Coordinator Report - Bud Fackler**

Mr. Fackler presented two new issues to the Board. The first was to inform the Board that he was contacted by the current owner of John R Sand & Gravel who wants to transfer Jerry Wiggins' special land use to his special land use regarding a 20 acre site. Mr. Fackler relayed that he viewed the site and it looked fine and he advised the owner of John R that if he goes beyond the 20 acres he would need to come to the Board with a site plan. The other issue involves the Gass Becker building which is in the R-1 zoning district. Mr. Fackler relayed he received a call from a lady who wants to put a Subway restaurant in the building. Board discussed the matter and suggested the interested party first obtain health department approval and a traffic impact study before coming before this Board.

**At 7:34 p.m., a Motion was made by Member Derderian, support by Member Bellinger, to adjourn. Motion carried, all voting aye.**

Respectfully submitted,  
Darlene Wise, Recording Secretary

cc: All Board Members  
Persons requesting same

  
George Nash  
Planning Commission Secretary