MINUTES OF Planning Commission Meeting
HELD January 10, 2018

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Chairman Nash 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, with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Members Present:

George Nash, Phil Bellinger, Ann Derderian, Roger Hamilton and

Lance Gould

**Members Absent:** 

Dan Miller and Kevin Knisely

**Also Present:** 

Township Planner Doug Piggott, Township Attorneys Mike Nolan and

Gerry Fisher, Lizzie Johnson, Susan Johnson, Michael Hindelang,

Danielle Vilona and Jarod Sawyer, videographer for Levy.

## Approval of Agenda

## 001-18

Motion by Member Derderian, seconded by Member Bellinger, to approve the agenda as presented. All ayes, two absent. **Motion carried.** 

# **Approval of Meeting Minutes**

## 002-18

Chairman Nash noted there were no meetings in October, November or December of 2017 for lack of agenda items. Motion by Member Derderian, seconded by Member Hamilton, to approve the public hearing minutes for September 13, 2017 and the regular meeting minutes of September 13, 2017 as presented. All ayes, two absent. **Motion carried.** 

# Public Comments (on items not on the Agenda)

None.

### **New Business**

## A. Annual Meeting/Election of Officers.

Chairman Nash confirmed that Board Members had received the list of meeting dates for 2018 and the Board affirmed said dates.

## 003-18

Motion by Member Derderian, seconded by Member Bellinger, to retain existing officers with George Nash as Chairman, Lance Gould as Vice Chairman and Roger Hamilton as Secretary. All ayes, two absent. **Motion carried.** 

# B. Draft Annual Planning Commission Report.

Planner Piggott reviewed the draft 2017 Annual Report with the Board. There was discussion and it was decided that the following items be added to the 2018 goals: initiate an amendment to address cement plants in the zoning ordinance, and study the issue of zoning for compost operations.

# C. Proposed Amendments to Article 12A, Consideration for Possible Public Hearing in February.

The Board referred to the draft of the proposed amendments to Article 12A - Planned Unit Development Classification for Transitory Extraction of Natural Resources - and Gerry Fisher

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explained them stating the amendments modify the language to remove ambiguities and clarify the ordinance. After a brief discussion it was decided that a public hearing on the zoning amendments be set for the next meeting.

## 004-18

The following Motion was made by Member Derderian, and seconded by Member Hamilton:

At its meeting on December 11, 2017, the Township Board referred to the Planning Commission the task of reviewing a proposed amendment to Article 12A of the Zoning Ordinance with the view of clarifying the ordinance in the interest of the public and for the benefit of all parties interested in the subject matter of Article 12A.

In order to make a recommendation to the Township Board in accordance with the Michigan Zoning Enabling Act, the Planning Commission must conduct a public hearing on the proposed amendment.

The Planning Commission, with the assistance of legal counsel for the Township, will conduct a public hearing to deliberate potential improvements/clarifications to Article 12A, taking into consideration all comments from the public, including comments from prospective applicants for approval under Article 12A, and make a recommendation to the Township Board on any proposed amendments. The public hearing is to be scheduled and noticed for February 14, 2018.

#### **ROLL CALL VOTE:**

Ayes:

Bellinger, Derderian, Gould, Hamilton, Nash

Nays:

None

Abstain:

None

Absent:

Miller and Knisely

Motion carried.

## **Unfinished Business**

None.

# Communications and/or Committee Report

None.

# Matters for Discussion from the Commission Members

Nothing at this time.

Township Planners Report - Doug Piggott/ROWE Professional Services Company

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At 7:36 p.m., a Motion was made by Member Derderian, seconded by Member Gould, to adjourn. Motion carried, all voting aye.

Respectfully submitted, Darlene Wise, Recording Secretary

cc:

All Board Members

Persons requesting same

Planning Commission Secretary

# METAMORA TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION AGENDA 10 JANUARY 2018 7:00 PM METAMORA TOWNSHIP HALL

Pledge of Allegiance
Roll Call
Approval of Agenda
Approval of Minutes
Public Comments (on items not scheduled on this agenda)

## New Business:

- A: Annual meeting / Election of Officers
- B: Draft Annual Planning Commission report
- C: Proposed amendments to Article 12A, consideration for possible public hearing in February

## Unfinished Business:

Communications and / or committee report

Matters for discussion from the commission members

Township Planners Report - Doug Piggott/Rowe Professional Services

Adjournment