

Calhoun County Planning Commission
Minutes
November 17, 2014

Present: Comrs. Robert Bolton, Suzanne Ebright, Linda Freybler, Sarah Kelly, Daniel Kesselring, and Blaine VanSickle. Staff: Planning Consultant Jennifer Bomba and Deputy Clerk Chris McComb.

Excused: Terence Lunger, Angie Kline, John Coulter, Dave Walters and Kelli Scott

1. The November 17, 2014 Planning Commission Meeting was called to order at 4:05 p.m.
2. Roll was called by the Deputy Clerk.
3. Approval of Agenda

“Moved Kesselring, supported by Ebright to approve the November 17, 2014 Calhoun County Planning Commission agenda as presented.”

On a voice vote, Motion CARRIED.

4. Public Comments

There were none.

5. Approval of October 27, 2014 Meeting Minutes

“Moved Freybler, second by Kelly to approve the October 27, 2014 Calhoun County Planning Commission minutes as presented.”

On a voice vote, Motion CARRIED.

6. Communication

- A. Resignation of Dave Walters as a member of the County Planning Commission

Planning Consultant Jen Bomba presented Dave Walters’ resignation. She stated they would be looking for a replacement municipal representative and asked the Board to think of any possible replacements. She noted Terence Lunger's term expired in the spring and he had expressed a desire to be reappointed as the education representative.

- B. Other Communication

Planning Consultant Jen Bomba announced that the City of Battle Creek’s Planning Commission meeting scheduled for November 18, 2014 had been canceled due to lack of new business.

7. New Business

- A. 2015 County Planning Commission Meeting Schedule

Planning Consultant Jen Bomba stated the proposed schedule kept the schedule of the meeting on the fourth Monday of the month for 2015.

“Moved Kesselring, second by Bolton to approve the 2015 County Planning Commission Meeting Schedule as presented.”

On a voice vote, Motion CARRIED.

8. Township Planning and Zoning Coordination

- a. 11-14-01, Albion Township: Zoning Map Amendment for Property Located in Section 36

Staff recommended for approval.

“Moved Kesselring, second by Bolton to approve 11-14-01 as presented.”

On a voice vote, Motion CARRIED.

9. Department Report

Planning Consultant Jen Bomba stated she and Community Development Educator, Ingrid Ault, had been working collectively to develop a new county parks plan. She stated the rough draft was almost completed, it would go out to the public for comment in December and then be sent to the Department of Natural Resources for review. She stated there was lot of new work being done with the county parks properties and how they were being managed.

10. Member Comments

Member Kesselring stated there was no prime farmland near the Brembo property, so construction of a new facility wouldn't take prime land out of production.

11. Public Comments

There were none.

12. Announcements: The next Calhoun County Planning Commission meeting was scheduled for January 26, 2015 at 4:00 p.m.

13. Adjournment: 4:33