



## Township of Lapeer Planning Commission

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### Members:

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Deborah Cady, Secretary  
John Rutzen  
Phillip Thick  
Daniel Gingell  
Sandra Lackey-Jarvis

July 16, 2012

Vice-Chairman Ewing called the Planning Commission regular meeting to order at 7:10 p.m.

**Attendance:** Vice-Chair Kenneth Ewing, Secretary Deborah Cady, Commissioners John Rutzen, Phil Thick, Sandra Lackey-Jarvis and Dan Gingell.

**Absent:** Chair Tim Roodvoets

**Other attendees:** Stephen Mason  
Andy Johnson representing Hunters Creek Community Church  
Chris McLeod, Community Planning & Management, Planning Consultant  
Dawn Walker, Lapeer Township Clerk and recording secretary

Everyone stood for the pledge of allegiance.  
A roll call vote was taken, a quorum was present.

**Public Time:** Vice-Chair Ewing opened the meeting for public time.  
No one appeared wishing to address the Planning Commission during public time.  
Public time was closed at 7:12 p.m.

**Approval of Minutes:** *Motion by Commissioner Gingell, support by Commissioner Thick to approve the regular meeting minutes of May 21, 2012. A vote was taken. All in favor (6). Motion carried.*

**New Business:** Hunters Creek Church, sign review 2012-002

Planning Consultant, Chris McLeod reviewed his comments dated June 12, 2012 in regards to; Hunters Creek Community Church proposed sign. These included clarification of landscaping, sign material, the location of the sign and lighting intensity.

Andy Johnson representing the church stated that the sign will be constructed of vinyl covered aluminum, will be landscaped with two rock retaining walls; mulched with flowers and that there will be sodium vapor lights pointed toward the sign.

Commissioner Cady asked if a company would be doing the sign; and questioned the overall height of the sign.

Commissioner Gingell stated that the church is tearing down the old sign, cleaning up the corner and replacing with the new proposed sign.

Commissioner Lackey-Jarvis asked the applicant if the sign would be mounted on four foot wood posts. She also asked Planner McLeod for clarification on the square footage of signs.

Commissioner Thick asked if the lights would be left on all night.

Andy Johnson replied that the sign lights would be on the same timer as the parking lot lights.

*Motion by Commissioner Thick, support by Commissioner Gingell to approve the proposed sign with the condition that all comments from Community Planning and Management are*

addressed and that the drawing be revised and submitted to the Township Clerk with road names on it; and a synopsis be submitted stating in writing that the sign lights will be on the timer with the parking lot lights. A roll call vote was taken: Thick; yes, Gingell; yes, Rutzen; yes, Cady; yes, Lackey Jarvis; yes, Ewing; yes. All in favor (6). Vice-Chair Ewing declared the proposed sign approved.

Andy Johnson departed at 7:25 p.m.

**Old Business:** None.

**Other Business:** The Community Forum was discussed by Planner McLeod. It will take place at the October planning commission meeting. Planner McLeod gave a run-down of the process to run the forum and asked commissioners to send any further comments to him prior to the next meeting in August. He also asked commissioners if they wanted to include questions in regards to police (public safety) and internet?

Discussion followed.

Clerk Walker and Planner McLeod gave a NEXT Michigan, I-69 International corridor presentation. Discussion followed in regards to industrial areas and renaissance zones. The impact of sewer and water accessibility in the area was reviewed and commented on.

Commissioner Cady asked Planner McLeod questions in regards to legislation and enforcement of fireworks. She also asked about the changes to the sign at Katies Spa.

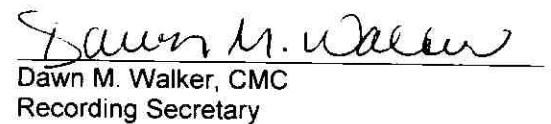
Commissioner Thick asked to be excused from the August meeting.

**Correspondence:** None.

**Announcements:** The August board meeting has been changed to August 20<sup>th</sup> at 8:30 a.m.

**Adjournment:** *Motion to adjourn by Commissioner Gingell, support by Commissioner Cady. All in favor (6). Motion Carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:26 p.m.*

  
Deborah R. Cady, Secretary  
Planning Commission

  
Dawn M. Walker, CMC  
Recording Secretary