



## Township of Lapeer Planning Commission

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### Members:

Tim Roodvoets, Chair  
Ken Ewing, Vice-Chair  
Deborah Cady, Secretary  
John Rutzen  
Phillip Thick  
Daniel Gingell  
Sandra Lackey-Jarvis

August 20, 2012

Chairman Roodvoets called the Planning Commission regular meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

**Attendance:** Chairman Tim Roodvoets, Vice-Chair Kenneth Ewing, Secretary Deborah Cady and Commissioner Sandra Lackey-Jarvis.

**Absent:** Excused: Commissioners: John Rutzen and Phil Thick. Absent: Commissioner Dan Gingell.

**Other attendees:** 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:** Chairman Roodvoets opened the meeting for public time.  
No one appeared wishing to address the Planning Commission during public time.  
Public time was closed at 7:03 p.m.

**Approval of Minutes:** *Motion by Commissioner Ewing, support by Commissioner Cady to approve the regular meeting minutes of July 16, 2012. A vote was taken. All in favor (4). Motion carried.*

**New Business:** Orchard Associates, sign review 2012-003

Planning Consultant, Chris McLeods' review dated August 10, 2012 was entered into public record.

Sandra Lackey-Jarvis on behalf of the applicant stated that the sign itself is not illuminated but presented the commission an updated sign diagram with the addition of text indicating the intent to light in the future with LED flood lights from below. Commissioner Lackey-Jarvis also noted to the remaining commissioners her wish to abstain from the vote with a conflict of interest.

Discussion amongst the commission followed. Commissioners noted that no one from Orchard Associates appeared before the planning commission in regards to the application.

*Motion by Commissioner Ewing, support by Commissioner Cady to approve the proposed sign application as amended with the stipulation that any future flood lighting does not exceed 100 watt incandescent flood or the LED equivalent. A roll call vote was taken: Ewing; yes, Cady; yes, Roodvoets; yes, Lackey Jarvis; abstain. All in favor (3); abstain (1, Lackey-Jarvis). Chairman Roodvoets declared the proposed sign approved.*

**Old Business:** None.

**Other Business:** Community Forum  
A Community Forum draft was presented by Planner McLeod. Discussion followed amongst the commission in regards to internet availability in the Township and slight changes to the forum questionnaire.

