



Township of Lapeer Planning Commission

Lapeer County, Michigan

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Members:

Tim Roodvoets, Chair
Ken Ewing, Vice-Chair
Deborah Cady, Secretary
Phillip Thick
Daniel Gingell
Fred Green
Tom Benton

October 19, 2015

Present: Chairman Tim Roodvoets, Secretary Deborah Cady, Commissioners Phil Thick, Dan Gingell, Tom Benton and Fred Green

Absent: Vice-chair Kenneth Ewing Commissioner, excused

Others: Kenneth Neal representing Lapeer Seventh-day Adventist Church
Dawn Walker, Lapeer Township Clerk and recording secretary

Chairman T. Roodvoets called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m.

Everyone stood for the Pledge of Allegiance.

Chairman T. Roodvoets stated to let the minutes reflect the roll, Vice Chairman K. Ewing, excused.

Public Time

No one appeared wishing to address the planning commission during public time.

Agenda – Approved as presented

Approval of Minutes

Motion by Commissioner P. Thick, seconded by Commissioner F. Green to approve the meeting minutes of August 17, 2015 as presented. Motion carried.

New Business

2015-005 Lapeer Seventh-day Adventist Church, sign review

Chairman T. Roodvoets stated that the original proposed sign was to be 74” high by 192” wide. These dimensions were larger than what the Lapeer Township zoning ordinance allows. Therefore, the applicant down sized the sign as presented to be 24” high by 192” wide for total of 32 square feet. This is the only sign for the site, therefore the proposed sign meets the specifications of the zoning ordinance; being one wall or ground sign and a maximum size of 32 square feet.

Chairman T. Roodvoets asked Kenneth Neal representing the church what the building is utilized for; it is not the church. Mr. Neal stated that the building was originally a school, now it will be used as a community center. Commissioner D. Cady questioned the dimensions on the application. No further questions were asked.

Motion by Commissioner P. Thick, seconded by Commissioner T. Benton to approve the sign as presented on the photo diagram under the condition that a revised application be submitted to the clerk reflecting the correct sign dimensions of 24” x 192”. A roll call vote was taken: Yes: P. Thick, T. Benton, D. Cady, F. Green, T. Roodvoets. Motion carries.

K. Neal departed the meeting at 7:18 p.m.

Old Business: None

Other Business

2016 Proposed meeting schedule presented as follows:

**PLANNING COMMISSION
2016 MEETING NOTICE**

Pursuant to Public Act 267 of 1976, section 5(1), it has been resolved that the Lapeer Township Planning Commission will establish the following schedule for its regular meetings for the calendar year 2016. The meetings will be held on Mondays at the Lapeer Township Offices and Community Building, 1500 Morris Road, Lapeer, Michigan. The regular meetings will begin at 7:00 p.m.

	Regular Meetings - 7:00 p.m.
January	No Meeting
February	22 – 4 th Monday
March	21
April	18
May	16
June	20
July	18
August	15
September	19
October	17
November	21
December	No meeting

Lapeer Township will provide necessary reasonable auxiliary aids and services, such as signers for the hearing impaired and audio tapes of printed material being considered at the meetings, to individuals with disabilities who wish to participate; upon five working days' notice to the township. Individuals with disabilities requiring auxiliary aids or services should contact Lapeer Township by writing or calling the Lapeer Township Clerk, at 1500 Morris Road, Lapeer, Michigan, 48446 or 810-664-3700.

Motion by Commissioner F. Green, seconded by Commissioner P. Thick to approve the proposed meeting schedule as presented. Motion carries.

2016 Planning Commission election of officers

Motion by P. Thick, seconded by T. Benton to elect the same slate of planning commission officers for 2017 as follows: Chairman, Tim Roodvoets; Vice-chairman, Kenneth Ewing; and Secretary, Deb Cady. Motion carries.

Commissioner Dan Gingell entered the meeting at 7:20 p.m.

Correspondence:

Special Land Use case 2015-004, Michael Smiler – proposed dog kennel – a request has been made to grant an extension to provide enough time to submit for a zoning board of appeals case to be held.

Motion by D. Gingell, seconded by P. Thick to grant an extension until the February 22, 2016 meeting. Motion carries.

A copy of the 2016 Board meeting approved schedule was supplied to commissioners.

Reports: Discussion on annexation at the State Boundary Commission.
Discussion on mapping programs for the Township.
Commissioner P. Thick gave a verbal report from the board.

Announcements: Special Primary Election – November 3, 2015
Board meeting: November 9, 2015 – Monday, 8:30 AM
Next Planning Commission meeting: November 16, 2015 – 7:00 PM

Adjournment: *Motion by D. Gingell, seconded by D. Cady to adjourn the meeting. Meeting adjourned at 8:13 P.M.*

Deborah Cady
Planning Commission Secretary

Dawn M. Walker, CMC
Recording Secretary

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