

Lapeer Township
Joint Meeting
Township Board
Planning Commission
Zoning Board of Appeals
January 7, 2008
7:00 PM
Dawn Walker, Clerk

Supervisor Jarvis called the meeting to order at the Lapeer Township Hall, 1500 Morris Road, Lapeer Township, MI at 7:05 p.m.

Everyone stood for the pledge of Allegiance.

PRESENT:

Clerk Dawn Walker, Supervisor Scott Jarvis and Treasurer Lori Ann Taylor representing the Lapeer Township board.

Trustee John Rutzen representing the Lapeer Township board and Planning Commission.

Trustee Howard Stack representing the Lapeer Township board and the Zoning Board of Appeals.

Tim Roodvoets, Philip Thick, Ruth Lendt, Wayne Zenk representing the Planning Commission.

Ken Ewing representing the Planning Commission and the Zoning Board of Appeals.

Leonard Lumley and Howard Lilley representing the Zoning Board of Appeals.

Absent Fred Green, Planning Commission and Mary Henderson and Dan Gingell, Zoning Board of Appeals.

Also present:

Cory Mabery

Chris McLeod

Linda Jarvis

Representing:

Davis Land Surveying and Engineering

Community Planning & Management

Lapeer County Commission

AGENDA:

RECREATION
PLAN:

Draft Recreation Plan documents were discussed. Planner McLeod reviewed the highlights of the plan. Discussion followed regarding a plan having to be in place to receive any grant funds. With any grants obtained there is a match to be provided by the Township.

Linda Jarvis entered at 7:30 p.m.

Further discussion followed regarding the recreation plan process of approval, liability issues with a Park and Recreation plan, using road right-of-ways and working with the road commission, short and long term goals of the plan and expenses and funding for projects.

MASTER
PLAN UPDATE:

The Lapeer Township board has previously approved an update to the Master Plan. Discussion followed regarding the following Master Plan issues; removal of the annexation areas and notation of the sewer and water tap in areas, possible replacement of some commercial base, overlay zoning and possible rezoning in areas and how that process works. Planner Chris McLeod and Engineer Cory Mabery answered questions from the board and commissioners.

ZONING ORDINANCE
AMENDMENTS:

The Township Board reviewed the zoning ordinance amendments with the Planning Commissioners and Zoning Board of Appeals Commissioners. Some the board has approved and others need further review by Planning Commission. Documents received from County Planning were referenced.

DRY HYDRANTS:

Clerk Walker advised Commissioners of the denial of grants from the State of Michigan for dry hydrants that would have helped with fire suppression throughout the Township. Any dry hydrants installed will have to be funded by the General Fund.

MINING ORDINANCE:

The need for a mining ordinance was discussed. Engineer Mabery has reviewed this with Supervisor Jarvis and it will be slated for the Planning Commission in upcoming months.

HIGH SPEED: Clerk Walker discussed a proposal received from Air Advantage to place a tower at the Township Hall to expand availability of high speed internet for Township residents.

ORDINANCE
COMPARISON: Commissioner Lumley asked about the comparison between the City of Lapeer and the Lapeer Township ordinances that was slated to be completed by Planner McLeod. Planner McLeod supplied those documents for all to review.

AIRPORT
PROTECTION
ZONE: Commissioner Lumley asked about the Airport Protection Zones. Planner McLeod advised that that will be reviewed as part of the Master Plan update. There is minimal impact to our Township from the Mayfield Township airport.

ADJOURNMENT: ***MOVED*** by Roodvoets, support by Ewing to adjourn the meeting at 9:50 p.m. The meeting was unanimously adjourned.

Dawn M. Walker, Clerk