

MINUTES BIG RAPIDS TOWNSHIP ZONING COMMISSION

Tuesday, May 18, 2010 – 7:30 p.m.

Big Rapids Township Hall, 14212 Northland Drive, Big Rapids, MI 49307

I. CALL TO ORDER: 7:30 p.m.

Chairman, Shane called the regular monthly meeting of the Big Rapids Township Zoning Commission to order at 7:30 p.m. on May 18, 2010 at the Big Rapids Charter Township Hall.

II. ROLL CALL:

Present: Jim Shane, Glenn Patrick, Mike Hults, Linda Osborn and Philip Keating; the record shows a quorum present. Also present Maxine McClelland, Zoning Administrator and Mae Emerson, Recording Secretary.

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

1. Minutes – April 20, 2010

M. Hults moved the minutes of April 20, 2010 be accepted as presented; second by P. Keating; Yeas: Jim Shane, Glenn Patrick, Mike Hults, Linda Osborn and Philip Keating; motion carried unanimously to approve the minutes.

IV. PUBLIC COMMENT: None.

V. PUBLIC HEARINGS: None.

VI. SITE PLAN REVIEW:

1. TNT Firework Sales –Meijer – yearly renewal
Annual Sale June 23 thru July 6, 2010

M. Hults moved to approve the request as presented; second by P. Keating; Yeas: Jim Shane, Glenn Patrick, Mike Hults, Linda Osborn and Philip Keating; carried unanimously with five yeas.

VII. CORRESPONDENCE: None.

VIII. OTHER ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION:

1. Commercial Rezoning

Discussion took place regarding a possible rezoning request of Section 3 to commercial to permit placement of a billboard.

Board members noted this area is listed in both the current and previous land use plan as noncommercial. MDOT will not permit a billboard if the rezoning is for billboard placement only. Also there area several problems with setbacks, from road, adjacent residential sites and an overhead power line.

2. Update Land Use Plan

Dave Bee will be invited to the June Zoning Meeting to discuss required update of land use plan.

IX. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

1. Planning Enabling Act progress will continue
2. Zoning Commission

Several members of the Zoning Commission will plan to attend the June 1 Township Board Meeting to familiarize the board with Zoning Commission work.

X. ADJOURNMENT:

As no further business was before the Board, Chairman Shane entertained a motion to adjourn. Motion to adjourn by L. Osborn; second by G. Patrick. The meeting was adjourned at 8:30 p.m. The next meeting of the Zoning Commission will be held on June 15, 2010 or at the call of the Chair. Meeting adjourned.

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