

Minutes

THOMAS TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION
Thomas Township Public Safety Building, 8215 Shields Drive, Saginaw, MI 48609
March 21, 2012 at 7:00 p.m.

John Bintz called the Planning Commission meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Present in addition to Mr. Bintz were: Rod Iamurri, Ruth McDonald and Diane LaMountain. Also present were Dan Sika, Director of Community Development and Susan Coggin, Planning Assistant/Code Enforcement Officer.

Members Absent: Chris Thompson, Dale Halm and Rick Lorentzen.

2. Pledge of Allegiance.

3. Approval of Agenda:

It was moved by Mrs. McDonald, seconded by Mrs. LaMountain to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

4. Approval of Minutes:

It was moved by Mrs. McDonald, seconded by Mr. Iamurri to approve the minutes of February 15, 2012 as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

5. Hearings – None.

6. Presentations

- A. Ms. Cindy Winland of Crescent Consulting, Inc. conducted a training session for the Planning Commission members regarding signage and billboard regulations.*

Ms. Winland presented the Planning Commission members with a presentation regarding the following:

- What is a billboard?
- Evaluating current regulations for billboards.
- Examples of billboards throughout Michigan.
- Options for regulating billboards.
- Samples of existing sign ordinances from Scenic Michigan, the City of Grand Rapids, Bear Creek Township and Traverse City.

7. Sign Board of Appeals – None.

8. Old Business – None.

9. New Business – None.

10. Receive and File All Correspondence.

A. February, 2012 Edition of the Planning and Zoning News.

11. Adjournment.

Motion by Mrs. McDonald, seconded by Mrs. LaMountain to adjourn the meeting at 8:30 p.m. Motion carried unanimously. The next meeting date is Wednesday, April 18, 2012.

Respectfully submitted by Susan Coggin, Planning Assistant/Code Enforcement Officer