

## HEATH TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION

The Heath Township Planning Commission met on Thursday, August 18, 2016 at 7:00 p.m. in the Heath Township Hall in Hamilton, Michigan.

Members Present: Michael Stork  
Hilda Boerman  
Michael Phillips  
Randy Poll

Members Absent: Don Wickstra

Also present was Bob Jones, Zoning Administrator.

The minutes from the July 21, 2016 meeting were approved on the motion Phillips of supported by Poll and passed unanimously.

### **ITEM 1**

Discuss revisions to the future land use map. Board members were to drive around and report back. Mike questioned Public/Quasi-Public of Silver Creek Park. Greg Ransford, Planner stated that by eliminating this district it is more appropriate long term and you handcuff people's ability to use the P/Q district when it is sold and it is narrow in scope. Bob noted master planning does not change zoning. Board members agree it is a good idea to eliminate the P/Q Districts and change them to either R-1 or R-2. These properties are specifically: Schutmaat Park, Heath Township Hall property and Silver Creek.

Randy would like to see agricultural property changed from 5 acres to 2 acres. He feels quite often the extra land is used to hide junk. This would be a zoning request for Hilda to bring to the township board.

The members would like to see the following changes:

- Changing the Hungry for Christ property from Industrial to Commercial and leaving the CHS property, to the west, Industrial.
- Change the 160 acre parcel of land at the southeast corner of 44<sup>th</sup> Street and 134<sup>th</sup> Avenue from Ag to R-1.
- Change the front edge of Consumers Energy property and the back part of Superior Poured Walls property.

Bob questioned Greg on how to proceed on this process. Greg noted that after the Notice of Intent to Plan (NIP) letters have been sent to the surrounding townships and any public utilities and railroads the request goes before the township board and, when approved, it is sent to on to the surrounding townships. After 63 days to allow for comment, the Planning Commission can schedule its public hearing. For the September meeting, Bob will create a draft Future Land Use Map reflecting the changes.

### **ITEM 2**

Next month's meeting will include a request for a community park n sell south of Bruce's Party Store.

Bob has a site plan review from Mr. Perry, even though there is no drawing. This was done to avoid court. Bob updated the board on previous issues with Mr. Perry.

### **ITEM 3**

The next meeting will be September 15 at 7:00 p.m. The meeting was adjourned at 7:55 on the motion of Phillips supported by Boerman and passed unanimously.

Minutes submitted by secretary Sheila Meiste.