

**MINUTES OF THE FRANKENMUTH TOWNSHIP
PLANNING COMMISSION
July 9, 2013**

The Regular Meeting of the Frankenmuth Township Planning Commission was held on Tuesday, July 9, 2013, at 8:00 P.M., at 240 West Genesee Street, Frankenmuth, Michigan.

Present: Haubenstricker, Grueber, Scherzer, Reid, and Friend, Zoning Administrator

Absent: Frahm

Chairman Haubenstricker called the meeting to order at 8:00 P.M., and asked for review and approval of the minutes for June 11, 2013, which were approved after correction: "No one who had been notified of the hearing was present." is deleted and the following is substituted: "Those who had been notified of the hearing were either not present or did not comment."

Chairman Haubenstricker asked for review and approval of the Joint Planning Commission Meeting minutes for June 25, 2013, which were approved as circulated.

Chairman Haubenstricker called on Jim Reinert for his question regarding 12665 Roedel Road.

Mr. Reinert stated that he is the trustee of the trust which has title to the Ottomar Keinath farm located at 12665 Roedel, consisting of approximately 162 acres with a farmstead. The entire farm is to be sold, either as a whole or in three parts which would consist of the farmstead, tillable land fronting on Roedel Road and the rear acreage on the north which is mostly wooded. Mr. Reinert wanted direction as to restrictions or limitations of the zoning ordinance and any other township ordinance in regard to the possible three parcel sale.

The commission reviewed its ordinance and zoning maps and found that the farm consisted of tax parcels 1010, 1005, 2008, 4004, and 4002 in Section 13. After review and discussion with Mr. Reinert, the commission determined that the proposed sale in the three requested parcels would require a land division application to the zoning administrator, including a survey of the farmstead and elimination of the parcel 4004. The commission further noted the yard setback requirements for the farmstead which would be incorporated into the survey.

Mr. Reinert was directed to meet with Mr. Friend regarding the land division application and invited to call Mr. Haubenstricker with further questions.

Chairman Haubenstricker stated that he had not received a response from the Supervisor about the referral of the proposed windmill ordinance; the matter would remain on the agenda for the next meeting.

Chairman Haubenstricker asked for comment on the matter of commission bylaws. Mr. Reid stated that he was still editing and would have a draft for review at the next meeting.

Chairman Haubenstricker asked for comment on the Medical Marijuana matter.

The commission discussed past and recent court decisions and the likelihood that the legislature will be amending the state statute. The moratorium enacted by the township board was confirmed.

Chairman Haubenstricker asked for other business.

The commission discussed the manner best suited for maintaining records of special use permits. Mr. Friend recommended that the Zoning hand book that he was developing could easily contain a separate

section for the discussion, motion and resolution of each special use, which could be referenced for necessary follow-up.

Mr. Scherzer inquired about a Zoning Administrator business card to ease the access to township zoning information.

Chairman Haubenstricker asked for the Zoning Administrator's report.

Mr. Friend stated that there was no permit activity and he had no specific questions.

The next meeting will be a joint meeting with the city planning commission of July 23, 2013, at 8pm.

The next regular meeting would be August 13, 2013 at 8pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Frankenmuth Township Planning Commission
Robert J. Reid, Secretary