

Joyfield Township Planning Commission Minutes

July 17, 2014

1. Call to Order @ 7:31pm
2. Roll Call - All Present
3. Approval of agenda - B. Evans asked to discuss a change in date for the August meeting. This was added under new business. Wood made a motion to add this discussion under new business, Krueger second, motion carried. Krueger then made a motion to approve the agenda with the new business change, M. Evans second, motion carried.
4. Public participation for agenda items - heard.
5. The minutes from the June 26, 2014 meeting were read. B. Evans made a motion to approve the minutes, Krueger second, motion carried.
6. Benzie County Planning Commission Update - none
7. Unfinished business
 1. B. Evans read the Resolution for adoption of the Master Plan. A change in the Resolution was needed to read "the Joyfield Township Planning Commission" rather than the "Joyfield Township Board". Wood made a motion to approve the corrected Master Plan Resolution with township board approval and attorney review, Krueger second. Roll call vote: Wood - yea, Kreuger - yea, M. Evans - yea, B. Evans - yea, and Hayne - yea. Motion carried.
8. New Business
 1. The commission decided that we should begin to outline what the allowable uses will be in the rural and commercial districts. However, time is needed to research and review other ordinances. The PC agreed that they would prepare and discuss this during the August meeting.
 2. Lakes to Land Update - B. Evans gave an update on the grants that have been obtained. First, a grant from the Michigan Department of Treasury which will be used for zoning review and the creation of four model ordinances. Second, a grant for the development of a food innovation district. This project is being headed by a MSU graduate students. Finally, the Grand Traverse Rotary grant for the completion of MP's and legal reviews. B. Evans explained that the L2L group is also working to obtain the distinction for the M22 heritage route as a "Pure Michigan" route.

3. August meeting date - Conflicts with the August 21st meeting date were discussed and the PC agreed to change the meeting date to the following Tuesday, August 26th. The start time would stay the same at 7:30pm. B. Evans made a motion for date change, Hayne second, motion carried.

9. Public participation for non-agenda items - heard

9. Adjournment @ 8:11pm with a motion from Wood, second by M. Evans, motion carried.

Public Input Policy

Purpose: The Joyfield Township Planning Commission is an administrative body of the Joyfield Township government and subject to the Open Meetings Act (PA 267 of 1976). It continually strives to receive input from the residents of the township and reserves two opportunities during the scheduled meetings for you, the public, to voice opinions, concerns and sharing of any other items of common interest. There are, however, in concert with meeting conduct, certain rules to follow.

Speaking Time: Agenda items may be added or removed by the planning commission but initially at least two times are devoted to Public Input. All speakers are asked to provide their name, residence and topic they wish to

address. Speakers are asked to hold their presentation to a maximum of three minutes.

Board Response: Generally, as this is an “input” option, the planning commission will not comment or respond to presenters. Silence or non-response from the planning commission should not be interpreted as disinterest or disagreement. However, should the planning commissioners individually or collectively wish to address the comments of the speaker(s), at the approval of the Chair, responses may be made.