

# TUSCOLA COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION

125 W. Lincoln Street, Caro, Michigan 48728

## MINUTES

Wednesday, September 5, 2012 @ 4:32 P.M. – Commissioners' Conference Room

### I. CALL TO ORDER – PLEDGE TO THE FLAG

The September meeting was called to order at 4:32 by Vice Chair Zygmunt Dworzecki, followed by the pledge to the flag. Keith Kosik arrived at 4:35 and chaired the rest of the meeting.

II. ROLL CALL – Members present, Nancy Barrios, Zygmunt Dworzecki, Lonnie Kester, Keith Kosik, Ione Vyse and Board Representative - Jerry Peterson. Cynthia Kapa (exc), and Bill Thayer(exc.) were absent. Bill Campbell was our guest.

### III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES –

A motion to approved the minutes of the August 1, 2012 meeting as written was made by Zygmunt Dworzecki and seconded by Lonnie Kester. Motion Carried.

### IV. APPROVAL OF AGENDA –

Under New Business, Item D, Juniata Township Master Plan Review and Item E. Village of Kingston wastewater letter were requested to be added to the agenda. The motion to approve the agenda as amended was made by Nancy Barrios and seconded by Lonnie Kester. Motion carried.

### V. PUBLIC COMMENT –

No public comment at this time.

### VI. COMMUNICATIONS CONCERNING ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA –

Zygmunt Dworzecki reported on an email received regarding a flood plain ordinance.

### VII. OLD BUSINESS –

- A. No discussion was held on the updating of the Master Plan.
- B. A copy of the work tally for the year was presented to the chair for use in preparing the 2013 budget and the required report to the Commissioners.
- C. A copy of a proposed information letter to be mailed to the municipalities that are in flood plain areas was presented to the members. Approval to send the letter was given by the Chair. The secretary was directed to share the contact information with the adjacent counties. (Huron, Lapeer, Sanilac, Bay, Genessee and Saginaw counties).

### VIII. NEW BUSINESS –

- A. Arbela Township, proposal to rezone 2 parcels from agriculture to rural residential. Ione Vyse moved to recommend approval of the two rezoning applications. Second by Zygmunt Dworzecki. Motion Carried.
- B. Village of Millington, draft master plan. Zygmunt Dworzecki moved to recommend approval of the draft master plan after the village updates the demographics with 2010 census information. Second by Ione Vyse. Motion Carried.
- C. Village of Akron, Zoning Ordinance. The secretary was directed to send a letter of receipt to the Village.
- D. Juniata Township Master Plan Review. Zygmunt Dworzecki moved to recommend the approval of the

master plan review updated material. Second by Lonnie Kester. Motion Carried.

- E. Village of Kingston, waste water project. Zygmunt Dworzecki moved to direct the secretary to send a letter indicating that the project meets with the goals and objectives of the general development plan of Tuscola County. Second by Nancy Barrios. Motion Carried.

IX. OTHER, ON-GOING BUSINESS:

**Education/Training:**

Zygmunt Dworzecki reported that MSU had new requirements for maintaining the Master Citizen Planner credentials. 6 hours per year are now needed and the certification must be renewed annually. He indicated that he would no longer be maintaining his certification.

**Parks & Recreation:**

No meeting this month.

**Saginaw Bay Coastal Initiative:**

Zygmunt reported on the sturgeon reef.

**Township Communications:**

No new information

**East Michigan Council of Governments (EMCOG):**

Zygmunt Dworzecki reported EMCOG is working on making the thumb a transportation hub for foreign imports, by rail, sea and road. Bill Campbell requested that EMCOG communicate with members. Zygmunt Dworzecki will look into the matter.

**State Law Information Review:**

No updates

**2012 Budget Review:**

Budget sheet was not available for the meeting. It was noted that money will have to be transfer to the education account to cover the Citizen Planner Course for Nancy Barrios.

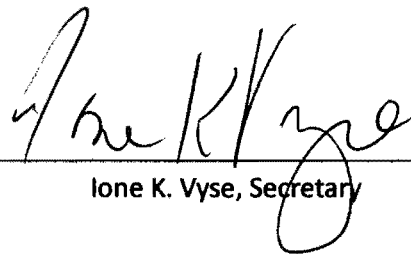
X. FOR THE GOOD OF THE ORDER:

Keith Kosik brought us up to date on the progress of the wind farm in Gilford Township. 68 towers are expected to be finished by Thanksgiving.

- XI. ADJOURN: The meeting was adjourned at 5:38 pm.



Keith Kosik, Chairman



Ione K. Vyse, Secretary