TUSCOLA COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION 125 W Lincoln Street, Caro, Michigan 48723

MINUTES

Wednesday, October 2, 2013 @ 5:00 P.M. - Commissioners' Conference Room

- CALL TO ORDER PLEDGE TO THE FLAG. The October meeting was called to order at 5:00 p.m. by Chairperson Ione Vyse, followed by the pledge to the flag.
- II. ROLL CALL Present: Raymundo Cortez, Zygmunt Dworzecki, Aaron Gyurko, Cynthia Kapa, Lonnie Kester, Louis Smallwood, Ione Vyse, Bd. Representative: Matthew Bierlein Guests: Bill Campbell
- III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: The motion to approve the minutes of the September 3, 2013 meeting as written was made by Zyggy Dworzecki and supported by Cindy Kapa. Motion Carried.

IV. APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Approval of the agenda as amended was made by Zyggy Dworzecki and seconded by Lonnie Kester.

Motion Carried.

- V. PUBLIC COMMENT: No Public Comment was made.
- VI. COMMUNICATIONS CONCERNING ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA: No communications was received.
- VII. OLD BUSINESS:

A. Visitation Accomplishment: Gagetown, Elkland Township, and Village of Reese still need to be visited by commission members, since the resignation of the former members last month left these visitations unfulfilled. The visitations will be divided up next month between the two new members.

B. Newsletter: Will be issued bi-annually and the last newsletter was issued June 2013.

C. Kester/Kapa Committee: (Discussion of policy regarding handling of questions from the public) The committee agreed that no new policy was needed. With regard to being asked for an endorsement from the public of one of the members, the committee was in agreement that a member is free to voice their opinion on their own behave as a member of the commission but that opinion would not be representative of the board as a whole, unless it was brought before the board and was approved by the board.

VIII. NEW BUSINESS:

A. Introduction of members, Outline of our function, Committee purpose: Raymundo Cortez and

Aaron Gyurko are the newly appointed members of the commission.

B. Secretary Position: Aaron Gyurko will be the Secretary pro tem until officer elections occur in December.

C. PA 116, Venema, Novesta Township, 36 acres

D. PA 116, Venema, Novesta Township, 40 acres

- E. PA 116, Zimba, Novesta Township, 29.74 acres
- F. PA 116, Sylvester, Wisner Township, 9 acres

A motion was made to recommend approval for items C., D., E. and F. by Cindy Kapa and supported by Zyggy Dworzecki. Motion carried.

G. 2014 Calendar: Meeting date of January 1 was changed to January 2 because the building will not be open.

- H. 2014 Budget: See attached packet and note corrections
- I. PA 116, Mr. Worvile of Watertown, 120 acres (90 acres under cultivation)

A motion was made to amend the agenda to include item I. which dealt with PA 116 of Watertown by Zyggy Dworzecki and supported by Lonnie Kester. A motion was made to recommend approval for items I. by Lonnie Kester and supported by Zyggy Dworzecki. Motion carried.

- IX. OTHER ON-GOING BUSINESS:
 - 2013 Budget Review: See attached

Education/Training: Citizen Planner – Smallwood and Kapa will sign up by the end of the year so allotted monies will be spent on training and thus won't be forfeited.

Township Communications: None

Parks & Recreation: Cindy will attend their October meeting and report back.

Saginaw Bay Coastal Initiative: See written report

East Michigan Council of Governments (EMCOG): See attached

State Law Information Review: No new bills were introduced

X. ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned at 6:08 pm.

Our next regular meeting will be held November 6, 2013 at 5:00 pm

me Ione K. Vyse, Chairperson

Aaron Gyurko, Secretary pro tem