

ATTICA TOWNSHIP  
MINUTES OF THE  
PLANNING COMMISSION  
MAY 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2014

At a regular meeting of the Attica Township Planning Commission held on the 22<sup>nd</sup> day of May, 2014, at the Attica Township Hall, 4350 Peppermill Road, Attica, MI 48412.

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Penzien at 7 p.m. The following members were PRESENT: David Penzien, Robert Stockwell, Geraldean Berry, Kent Gierman, and Phil Madeline. ABSENT: Fackler and Szerlag. ALSO PRESENT: Planner Dave Birchler and the public per the attached sheet.

The Board having reviewed the minutes of the March 27<sup>th</sup>, 2014 regular Planning Commission meeting minutes and there being no corrections, additions or deletions:

**MOTION** by Berry, seconded by Madeline to approve the March 27<sup>th</sup>, 2014 regular Planning Commission meeting as presented. A vote was taken. Ayes: All; Nays: None. Absent: Two (Fackler and Szerlag). **MOTION CARRIED.**

PUBLIC HEARING: Public hearing to amend the Adult Foster Care Ordinance.

Chairman Penzien opened the Public Hearing at 7:02 p.m. Planner Birchler reviewed the proposed amendment to the Adult Foster Care Ordinance and there being no comments from the public the Public Hearing was closed at 7:04 p.m.

OLD BUSINESS:

Discussion on playground equipment grant:

There was discussion regarding accepting the recreation grant. Planner Birchler explained the process of hiring a licensed engineer or landscape architect to be the coordinator of the project.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Recommendation to the Township Board on Adult Foster Care Ordinance:

**MOTION** by Gierman, seconded by Stockwell to recommend to the township board approval of amendments to the Adult Foster Care Ordinance. A vote was taken. Ayes: All; Nays: None. Absent: Two (Fackler and Szerlag). **MOTION CARRIED.**

2. Discussion on amendment to the Right to Farm (GAAMPs):

Planner Birchler reviewed the amendment to the Right to Farm act and will be prepared to suggest any amendments to the ordinance, if needed, at the next Planning Commission meeting.

PUBLIC TIME: None.

COMMUNICATIONS AND SECRETARY REPORT: Planner Birchler received a note from Secretary Fackler regarding an individual trying to change the minimum square footage of homes from 900 square feet to 1,500 square feet. Planner Birchler is not in favor of this and

there was discussion regarding house size requirements and discrimination.

ATTORNEY REPORT & CONSULTANTS REPORT:

1. Planner Birchler distributed a *clearzoning*® planning brief and reviewed it.
2. Attorney Gildner stated that he is in the process of cleaning up the general ordinances. This is an ongoing and ambitious project; he will have several more ready for the next Planning Commission meeting.
3. Attorney Gildner discussed fracking.

There being no further business before the Planning Commission, **MOTION** by Berry seconded by Gierman to adjourn the meeting 7:37m. A vote was taken. Ayes: All. Nays: None. Absent: None. **MOTION CARRIED.**

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Bud Fackler, Secretary of the  
Attica Township Planning Commission

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Valerie Schultz, Recording Secretary