

SCIO TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION
827 North Zeeb Road, Ann Arbor, Michigan 48103
MEETING MINUTES OF MONDAY, JANUARY 14, 2008

1) CALL TO ORDER

Chair Arscott called the meeting to order at 7:34 p.m.

2) ROLL CALL

Present: Green, Arscott, Hanson, Fuller, Mayo, Dries, Kangas

Others present: Doug Lewan, Carlisle-Wortman, Planning Consultant

3) COMMUNICATIONS AND/OR CORRESPONDENCE

2008 Michigan Association of Planners Spring Regional Training; MSU Citizen Planner, Curriculum and Registration, "Risk Management for Planning and Zoning", February 13, 2008; Michigan Planner, December, 2007; Vol. 12, No. 5; Planning and Zoning News, Vol. 26, No. 2, December, 2007; Letter from James D. Little to Board of Trustees dated December 28, 2007; Ann Arbor Planning Commission Agenda for January 15, 2008 meeting; Ann Arbor Planning Commission, Agenda and Minutes for meetings held on November 20 and December 18, 2007; Michigan Township News, January/February, 2008; Notice to Consider Amendments to Comprehensive Plan, Pittsfield Township, December 20, 2007; Michigan Land Use Leadership Academy, February 8-10, 2008; Letter from John Knott regarding Preliminary Recreation Master Plan, noting that inventory does not list the conservation easement given by Peter and Rita Hayden on Tubbs Road; Washtenaw County Planning Department, Notice requesting review and comment on proposed amendments to the Comprehensive Plan.

MOTION BY COMMISSIONER MAYO, SUPPORT BY COMMISSIONER FULLER TO MOVE THE DISCUSSION TO ITEM 12 UNDER REPORTS/COMMISSION ACTIVITY.

YES: 7

NO: 0

MOTION CARRIED

4) REPORTS/COMMISSION ACTIVITY

- a. Engineering Consultant
- b. BOT Report - Dries
- c. Planning Consultant
- d. Recreation Plan Progress - Green
- e. Zoning Board of Appeals - Fuller
- f. DDA - Mayo
- g. Sewer Committee - Dries
- h. Road Commission Advisory Committee - Kangas
- i. Land Preservation Commission - Arscott
- j. Zoning Ordinance Amendments - Green

k. Master Plan - Hanson

l. Form Based Codes

Presentation by Dave Scurto, Senior Associate, Carlisle-Wortman

m. Riparian Buffer Ordinance

Presentation by Doug Lewan, Carlisle-Wortman

- (1) Distribution of map with a sample of three different buffer widths from waterways showing how various properties would be affected by the buffer widths.
- (2) Model ordinance buffer widths.
 - (a) Can accomplish same objectives of Riparian Buffer Ordinance by amending and working with current Township Zoning Ordinance.
 - (b) Current buffer ranges from 20-55 feet, and 55 is the minimum buffer recommended by the HRWC.
 - (c) Section 10 of HRWC proposed ordinance addresses non-conforming uses; recommend adopting.

5) PRESENTATIONS REQUESTED BY THE PLANNING COMMISSION

None

6) PUBLIC COMMENT

None

7) BUSINESS SESSION

A) Advertised public hearings:

None

B) Unfinished Business

None

C) New Business

None

8) PUBLIC COMMENT

None

9) APPROVAL OF MINUTES

None

10) ADJOURNMENT

**MOTION BY COMMISSIONER HANSON, SUPPORT BY COMMISSIONER MAYO TO ADJOURN
AT 10:20 P.M.**

YES: 7

NO: 0

MOTION CARRIED

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