

MEETING MINUTES OF THE
GRAND HAVEN CHARTER TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION
APRIL 16, 2012

I. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Redick called the regular meeting of the Grand Haven Charter Township Planning Commission to order at 7:30 p.m.

II. ROLL CALL

Members present: French, Taylor, LaMourie, Wilson, Ralya, Redick, Robertson, Worthington, and Kantrovich

Members absent:

Also present: Attorney Bultje and Cargo

Redick requested that Cargo record the meeting minutes.

III. PLEDGE TO THE FLAG

IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Without objection the minutes of the March 5, 2012 meeting were approved.

V. CORRESPONDENCE

None.

VI. BRIEF PUBLIC COMMENTS PERTAINING TO AGENDA ITEMS

None.

VII. OLD BUSINESS

- A. Redick had Cargo provide a brief overview of the proposed Industrial 1-A zoning district (*and the related SLU amendments*) recommended by LSL Planning pursuant to input from the Planning Commission at the March 5th meeting.

Cargo noted that the ordinance, if approved, will be the initial step to allow greater flexibility in uses for industrial property along the US 31 corridor. Parcels would still need to be rezoned in order to take advantage of the proposed zoning classification.

The Planning Commission recommended some changes to the proposed ordinance including:

1. The "Conditional Uses" listed in Section 16A.3 will be moved to Section 16A.2 ("Permitted Uses"), with the same conditions noted. Section 16A.3 will be eliminated and the remaining sections re-numbered;
2. Section 16A.3.1.D will be amended to allow up to 25% or 5,000 square feet of incidental retail sales; and,
3. Section 16A.3.2 will be deleted and the remaining sections re-numbered.

Motion by Worthington, supported by Kantrovich to instruct staff to format the

proposed ordinances, and schedule a public hearing for Monday, May 7th on the proposed ordinance (as amended) to establish an “I-1A Corridor Industrial District” and amending Chapter 19 providing for an additional SLU within the proposed I-1A district. **Which motion carried.**

VIII. NEW BUSINESS

None

X. REPORTS

A. Attorney Report

None.

B. Staff Report

Cargo noted that Paul LaBlanc from LSL Planning would attend the May 7th Planning Commission meeting and would present a preliminary draft of amendments to the sign regulations of the Township.

C. Other

Kantrovich noted that the Farm Bureau and the Michigan State University Extension would be holding a “community conversation” discussing an action plan to address agricultural concerns/development within Ottawa County. The meeting will be held on April 18th at 7:00 p.m. at the Ottawa County Fillmore complex, Main Conference Room.

XI. EXTENDED PUBLIC COMMENTS PERTAINING TO NON-AGENDA ITEMS

None.

XII. ADJOURNMENT

Without objection, the meeting adjourned at 7:57 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

William D. Cargo

Acting Recording Secretary