

Republic Township Planning Commission Meeting  
7:00 P.M. Monday, June 18, 2012  
Republic Township Hall  
Draft Minutes

1. The meeting was Called To Order by Chairman Dan Mitchell at 7:17 P.M.
2. Members Present: James Brennan, Bill Bergin, Tom Feldhusen, Dan Mitchell and Terry Knapp (Township Zoning Administrator). Member Absent: Tom Sandblom.
3. Approval of the Agenda: It was moved by Bill Bergin and seconded by Jim Brennan to approve the agenda for tonight's meeting. The motion passed.
4. Approval of the Minutes: It was moved by Jim Brennan and seconded by Tom Feldhusen to approve the minutes of the May 21, 2012 meeting. The motion passed.
5. Public Comment: Fred Nannestad asked Dan Mitchell if he had the minutes from the April 16, 2012 Planning Commission (P.C.) meeting. Dan indicated he had not completed the minutes, but would have them for the July 16, 2012 meeting.
6. Communications: None.
7. Committee Reports:
  - A) Ordinance Sub Committee: Dan Mitchell will again request the Township Supervisor to call a meeting for this committee.
  - B) Parks & Recreation:
    1. Ball Park: Dan Mitchell indicated that there are some local people who have indicated a willingness to volunteer their help to improve the local baseball field. Jim Brennan volunteered to take this project on and look at organizing volunteers to improve the baseball field.
    2. Recreation Grant: Dan Mitchell indicated the Recreation Grant is in the Five Year Plan. Nothing has been done on it at this point. Jim Brennan pointed out that the grant should be written and ready to file by September of 2012.
  - C) Community Services: Nothing To Report.
  - D) RM School: Dan Mitchell reported that the construction program for the school is well under way, thanks to the successful community Bond Vote. Mitchell spoke about some of the construction that has already taken place at the school. He indicated they are presently ahead of schedule as far as time lines are concerned. Tom Feldhusen indicated the library is one of the first areas being worked on, as the library should be open by the end of June. Mitchell indicated that there are a lot of local contractors involved in the school bond project.
8. Zoning Administrator's Report: Terry Knapp reported the following information:
  - Zoning Compliance Permits Issues:
    - 05-31-12 – Tim Gransinger - Fence Installation – 169 Cedar Street  
Issued ZCP #10-2012
    - 06-04-12 – Eddy Osuzik - Screen House -3587 Fence River Road  
Issued ZCP #11-2012
    - 06-06-12 – Charles Niemi – Replace Deck – 308 Hemlock Street  
Issued ZCP #12-2012
  - Zoning Compliance Permits Denied: None.
  - Zoning Compliance Informational Requests: Received several phone calls and answered questions, sent out information.

- Zoning Violation:
  - 06-08-12 – Jayme Hackleman – Operating Resort in WR-1, 2526 Little Squaw Lake Road. Letter sent stating that a Conditional Use Permit is required.
  - 06-12-12 – Craig Salo – Noncompliant Mobile Home at 15076 Furley's Road. Property to be inspected with Bill DeGenaro on 06-20-12.
- Planning Commission:
  - 05-22-12 - Dennis Bell – Request for Livestock in WR-1 at 17557 Holli Blue Road. Issued CUP #9-2012 – Approved by the P.C. on 05-21-12.
  - 05-28-12 – Received Draft Copy of minutes from P.C. meeting of 05-21-12.
- Zoning Board Of Appeals: None.
- General:
  - 06-07-12 – Neighbor dispute, Perch Lake, regarding noncompliant signs has been resolved.

9. Old Business:

- A) Zoning Ordinance Review Committee: Dan Mitchell reminded everyone that Tom Sandblom, Jim Brennan and Dan Mitchell make up this committee. Terry Knapp also volunteered to join the members of this committee. The committee will meet on June 27, 2012 at 5:30 P.M. in the Township Hall.

10. New Business: Jim Brennan is working on the Township Camping Ordinances. He requested some clarification on the following:

- Time Line Stipulations for temporary units on property; Permits; Fees; and Penalties.
- Tom Feldhusen spoke about the Road Commission. He indicated the State of Michigan is looking at the Act 51 funds and the Dept. of Transportation is trying to grab 50% of it. So there will be a battle on this in the state. He indicated the Townships are attempting to get together to do something to protect their interests in this area.
- Jim Brennan indicated he would be going down to the ball field on June 19, 2012 to speak to parents and community members who have ideas and an interest in upgrading the ball field.
- Terry Knapp requested that we set up a Public Hearing for the next meeting on a Conditional Use Hearing for Jayme Hackleman, at 7:00 P.M. on July 16, 2012 in the Township Hall. The regular meeting will follow the Conditional Use Hearing.

11. Public Comment: None.

12. Adjourn: Jim Brennan made a motion that was seconded by Dan Mitchell to adjourn the meeting at 7:50 P.M. The motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Bill Bergin, Recording Secretary