

# Otsego County Planning Commission

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04-20-2009 Minutes

Call to order by Chairman Stults at 7:00 pm.

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call:

Commission members present: Chairman Randy Stults, Vice Chairman Ken Arndt, John Ernst, Mike Mang, Chuck Klee, Mike Colosimo, Ken Borton, and Francis Nowak

Commission members excused: Jim Hilgendorf, Erma Backenstose

Sharon Bolinger (Recording Secretary)

Public present: Duane Hoffman, James Theisen, Susan Topp, Olen Harris, Colleen Jozwiak, Ken Mackellar, John Burau, Judi Jarecki

Approval of minutes from the March 16, 2009 Planning Commission meeting with corrections:

Motion made by Mr. Ernst. Seconded by Mr. Mang.

Motion approved unanimously.

Chairman Stults told the Commission that they received a letter (copy attached) from Mr. Stephen Reckker that Mr. Kenneth Glasser from the Otsego Board of Commissioners has responded to on the behalf of all the recipients. There is also a letter (copy attached) from Mr. Lynn Kleckner concerning the review of the WTG ordinance.

The Commission has received a copy of the amendment to the Otsego County Recreation plan that has been approved by the County Commissioners to incorporate the Court House property as a park area so they can be eligible for the F1-800 program for the Parks & Recreation grants that are out there.

On March 24, 2009 the Otsego County Board of Commissioners approved resolution # OCR-0911 accommodation of Donald L. Tober. Mr. Stults read the accommodation to the Commission.

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Item # 5 on agenda. Planning Commission prioritize projects list.

Chairman Stults passed out a list of projects for the Commission to prioritize. He asked that the Commission members look it over & return it to him at the end of this meeting.

Item #1 on agenda. By-Laws.

The Commission members reviewed the remainder of the Bylaws that were not completed at the March 16, 2009 meeting.

Motion made by Mr. Borton to propose the approval of the By-laws at the next Commission meeting. Seconded by Ms. Nowak.

Motion approved unanimously.

Item #2 on agenda. Changing messaging signs Committee report.

Mr. Klee stated that the report is not ready. This item was tabled until a later date.

Item #3 on agenda. Wind Turbine Generator Committee report.

Mr. Mang gave an overview of the report (see attached documents given to Commission members at beginning of this meeting) on the recommendations from the subcommittee.

Jim Theisen gave a few comments on the WTG recommendations also.

Mr. Colosimo gave a few comments on the WTG recommendations also.

There were multiple discussions among Commission members concerning guide wires on WTG's.

Olen Harris added a few comments concerning WTG guide wires.

Susan Topp addressed the Commission. She asked if this meeting was just about discussion or if action is to be taken today. Chairman Stults stated that no action is to be taken yet.

Ms. Topp commented on the WTG recommendations.

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There were multiple discussions among Commission members & the public concerning noise from WTG's.

Mr. Stults requested a summary be prepared to take the recommendations for WTG's to the townships for their input. Mr. Stults appointed a sub-committee chaired by Mr. Mang with Mr. Stults and Mr. Ferrigan.

There was more discussion among Commission members.

Item #4 on agenda. Multiple Use Zoning districts.

Mr. Hoffman gave a brief description of what the Village of Elmira has incorporated as Multiple Use Zoning.

Mr. Mang gave the Livingston Township comments on the Multiple Use Zoning.

There were multiple discussions among Commission members and Mr. Hoffman.

Mr. Stults appointed Mr. Hoffman to Chair, Mr. Ferrigan, Mr. Ernst, Mr. Borton and himself to form a committee to refine the Multiple Use Zoning recommendations into a draft to propose modifications to the Ordinance.

Item #6 on agenda. Master Plan status.

We have received back the edited version of the draft Master Plan.

Ms. Nowak, Mr. Colosimo, Mr. Stults, Mr. Klee, Mr. Mang, Mr. Ernst and Mr. Borton requested a hard copy of the edited draft Master Plan. Mr. Borton also requested a disk copy. Mr. Stults also requested a hard copy for Mr. Hilgendorf and Ms. Backenstose whom were absent at this meeting.

Mr. Stults would like to have a resolution to adopt the draft Master Plan by the next meeting.

Mr. Stults stated that the Bradford Scott Corp. has submitted the updated site plan for review and that will be on the next agenda.

The Otsego County Board of Commissioners will be meeting downtown in their new room.

Meeting adjourned 9:45pm.