

**IDA TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION**  
**Minutes of Meeting**  
**Tuesday, December 9th, 2008**  
**7:00 p.m.**

**Members:**

Ron Zabawa  
Kevin Miller  
Scott Desbrough  
Larry Kreps, Jr.  
Brad Kamprath  
Elmer Bowman

**Others Present:**

Karen Jo Lieb, Recording Secretary

**Call to Order:** Chairperson R. Zabawa called the meeting called to order at 7:05 p.m.

**Roll Call:** K. Miller – present, S. Desbrough – present, L. Kreps – present, B. Angerer – absent, B. Kamprath – present, E. Bowman – present, R. Zabawa – present.

**Public Comment:**

1. Chad Perkins – Mr. Perkins had a question regarding the current livestock ordinance. He stated that he currently owns 25 acres. L. Kreps read the current provisions of the livestock ordinance effective as of August 2008. Discussion also held regarding the current definition of a farm.

**Public comment section closed.**

**New Business:**

- A. Call to order: Public Hearing:** Richard Cummings is requesting special approval for spoils removal in an amount greater than 20,000 square feet pursuant to Ida Township Zoning Ordinance No. 25, Section 5.46. Property address: 5691 Wells Rd., Petersburg, MI. Property ID# 5808-018-020-00, 5808-018-018-10, 5808-018-19-00.

Chairperson R. Zabawa opened the public hearing. The site plans for Mr. Cummings' pond were reviewed by the Planning Commission members. The following items were discussed: lifesaving stations, Soil Erosion and Sedimentation Control Permit, wetlands, floodplain, the location of the dry hydrant, water levels, hours of operation and haul routes.

**Motion to recommend approval:** After review and discussion of the proposed site plans, a motion was made by B. Kamprath and supported by L. Kreps, Jr. to recommend special approval to the Township Board with the following conditions:

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1. Provide Ida Township with a haul route from the Monroe County Road Commission;
2. Provide Ida Township with verification that the dry hydrant can be accessed by the fire department.
3. Hours of operation will be as follows: Monday through Friday 8:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m. and Saturdays 7:00 a.m. until 12:00 noon, during school operations only. Otherwise, hours of operation are limited to daylight hours if school is not in session. It was noted that should Mr. Cummings want to change the hours, he can request a change from the Ida Township Board.

**Roll Call Vote:**

K. Miller – yes;	B. Kamprath - yes;
S. Desbrough - yes;	E. Bowman – yes;
L. Kreps, Jr. – yes;	R. Zabawa – yes;
B. Angerer - absent	

**Motion carried:** 6 yes with 1 absent. Public hearing closed at 8:03 p.m.

The above recommendation will be forwarded to the Ida Township Board.

**Approval of Minutes:**

Minutes of the November 11th, 2008 meeting were reviewed. K. Miller requested clarification of the accuracy of a statement made by R. Zabawa regarding a referendum and further clarified and confirmed that paragraphs 3 and 4 on page 13 relate to the same subject. A motion was made by K. Miller and supported by S. Desbrough to approve the minutes as written with the above clarifications. Roll call vote: K. Miller – yes; B. Kamprath - yes; S. Desbrough - yes; E. Bowman – abstain\*; L. Kreps, Jr. – yes; R. Zabawa – yes; B. Angerer – absent. \*E. Bowman abstained due to the fact that he was not present at the November 11<sup>th</sup>, 2008 meeting. Motion carried.

**Election of Officers:**

The following positions were nominated and appointed for a term not more than 2 years based on the following motions as supports:

Chairperson: Ron Zabawa was appointed Chairperson based on a motion made by B. Kamprath and supported by L. Kreps, Jr. Roll call vote: K. Miller – yes; B. Kamprath - yes; S. Desbrough - yes; E. Bowman – yes; L. Kreps, Jr. – yes; R. Zabawa – abstain; B. Angerer – absent. Motion carried.

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Vice Chairperson: Brad Kamprath was appointed Vice Chairperson based on a motion made by L. Kreps, Jr. and supported by K. Miller. Roll call vote: K. Miller – yes; B. Kamprath - abstain; S. Desbrough - yes; E. Bowman – yes; L. Kreps, Jr. – yes; R. Zabawa – yes; B. Angerer – absent. Motion carried.

Secretary: K. Miller was appointed Secretary based on a motion made by S. Desbrough and supported by L. Kreps, Jr.. Roll call vote: K. Miller – abstain; B. Kamprath - yes; S. Desbrough - yes; E. Bowman – yes; L. Kreps, Jr. – yes; R. Zabawa – yes; B. Angerer – absent. Motion carried.

Meeting Schedule: A motion was made by B. Kamprath and supported by K. Miller to hold monthly Planning Commission meetings on the Second Tuesday of each month starting at 7:30 p.m. unless otherwise notified or posted. Roll call vote: K. Miller – yes; B. Kamprath - yes; S. Desbrough - yes; E. Bowman – yes; L. Kreps, Jr. – yes; R. Zabawa – yes; B. Angerer – absent. Motion carried.

**Old Business:**

1. Review of Master Plan – R. Zabawa stated that the Planner was absent due to illness. R. Zabawa will call and get reassurance that the Master Plan will be available at the next meeting along with the Land Use Map.
2. Blight Ordinance Review – Reviewed proposed blight ordinance drafted by Attorney Marty Kamprath. Discussion held regarding enforcement. Tabled to next meeting to allow members more time to review.

**Adjournment:**

Motion to adjourn was made by S. Sesbrough and supported by E. Bowman. All in favor. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:35 p.m.

Submitted by:  
Karen Jo Lieb, Recording Secretary

Approved by Planning Commission: \_\_\_\_\_