

**PUTNAM TOWNSHIP  
PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING  
March 9, 2011  
MINUTES**

**CALL TO ORDER**

Chairperson Gannon called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. There were 4 citizens in attendance.

**ROLL CALL**

MEMBERS PRESENT: Balk, Porath, Press, Ligon, Dobis, Beemer, Gannon.

OTHERS PRESENT: Brian Borden, Senior LSL Planner, Tom Lewis, Zoning Administrator, Ingrid Weisz, Recording Secretary.

**CALL TO THE PUBLIC**

Opened 7:01 p.m.

Closed 7:01 p.m.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

**Motion by Balk & supported by Porath to approve the agenda. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

There were no minutes in the packets. The 2/23/11 minutes will be reviewed at the next meeting.

**CORRESPONDENCE** None.

**PLANNER'S REPORT** None.

**ZONING BOARD REPORT** No meeting.

**TOWNSHIP BOARD REPORT** No report.

**LAND DIVISION REPORT** No meeting.

**ZONING ADMINISTRATOR'S ORDINANCE ISSUE LIST**

Members reviewed this list.

**PUBLIC HEARINGS** None.

**OLD BUSINESS**

A) Fire Hall Final Site Plan Review

Borden went over his memo. The applicants have followed the planner's suggestions. However, there was still a deficiency of shrubbery plantings and an excess of trees. Members wanted more canopy trees. The five trees on the western side of the property will be changed to oak & maple trees. The large detention pool limited the area available for tree plantings in the front yard. The lighting will be consistent with the current lighting on the rest of the property.

**Motion by Balk & supported by Beemer to recommend approval of the Putnam Township Firehall Final Site Plan based on the prints dated 3/4/2011. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

B) Master Plan Work Session

Borden went over his 2/16/11 memo recommending MHP evaluation area #1.

**Motion by Ligon & supported by Balk to recommend adopting MHP evaluation area #1 as the future plan for MHP as recommended by the planner. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**Motion by Balk & supported by Press to limit the size of MHPs to 60 acres. MOTION CARRIED (Beemer & Ligon opposed)**

Rationale for dissenting opinion: should use 80 acres as recommended by the planner.

The old MHP property will be converted to Light Industrial for the front part and Low Density Residential for the back portion.

C) Amendment for pavement requirements

Members made some changes to the text presented by Borden in order to clarify their intent.

**Motion by Ligon & supported by Balk to schedule a public hearing on this topic for the next meeting on 4/13/11. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**NEW BUSINESS** None.

### **FUTURE MEETINGS**

4/13/11

1. Public Hearing on Pavement Requirements
2. Applications for one Citizen Member to Wetland Review Board
3. Draft Master Plan Update
4. Review 2/23/11 minutes

### **CALL TO THE PUBLIC**

Opened at 8:15 p.m.

Don Speer, 11518 Dexter-Pinckney Road, noted that damage can be done by canopy trees planted next to a septic field whereas evergreens would not affect it as much.

The trees will be 70 feet away from the septic field.

Closed at 8:17 p.m.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

**Motion by Balk and supported by Ligon to adjourn at 8:17p.m. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**Ingrid Weisz**

**Recording Secretary**