

MEETING MINUTES
ELM RIVER TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING March 11, 2010 7:00 P.M.

1. Call to Order:

Chair Hagan called the meeting to order at 7:07 p.m. at the Elm River Township Community Building.

2. Roll Call:

Members Present: J. Reiss, D. Johnson and S. Hagan

Members Absent: Commissioners B. Sibilsky, and T. Condon

3. Approval of the Agenda:

Vice-Chair Reiss motioned to accept agenda supported by Chair Hagan

VOICE VOTE: All ayes. March 11, 2010 Agenda approved.

4. Approval of Meeting Minutes from: February 11, 2010

Chair Hagan took minutes for meeting, approval tabled till April meeting.

5. Scheduled Public Hearings: none

6. Other Matters for Review: Secretary Johnson brought up for discussion what we should call our plan. Defining terms of Plan, Master, Comprehensive. decision was tabled for further review.

7. Correspondences: None

8. Old Business:

a. **Township Board Report:**

Last meeting was joint meeting with Township Board, Chair Hagan gave update.

b. **Progress on Sections of Master Plan:**

i. Vice Chair Reiss supplied a copy of Calumet Township Zoning Ordinance, however they don't have a Master Plan available

ii. Secretary Johnson coming along slowly

iii. E-mails forwarded to Plan members from Nels Anderson of sample master plans and from MTA.

c. **Progress on Michigan Citizen Planner:**

Both Chair Hagan and Secretary Johnson making progress on the Online course. Stated 36 units approximately 4 hours reading each unit.

9. New Business:

a. **Ron Yesney - MDNRE** Recreation Specialist from Marquette our closest office. Chair Hagan will invite as a possible guest speaker this spring to discuss plans the state may have for recreation for our area. Topics of possibility Cross Country Ski Trail, Bill Nicholls Trail, Golf Carts on the Trails, would like to have in spring early summer for better attendance, with a display of maps for public to review.

- b. **Maps** motion by Chair Hagan, supported by Secretary Johnson to get Township board approval for Nels Anderson of WUPPDR to create 6 color poster size prints @ \$45 each. Map posters to include Current and Future Land Use, Townships in Michigan, Watersheds, Aerial view of township, Tax Parcel Map, Soil Types, with/without overlay data, not to exceed \$600 with approval. Vice-chair Reiss to order.

10. Public Hearing Dates next meeting changed to April 22, 2010 @ 7:00 p.m.

11. Public Comment (3 minutes): none

12. Additional Comments Planning Commission:

- a. Secretary Johnson on Timesheets, and stated we need to hold non-formal meetings to get the public educated on Master Plan vs. Zoning.

13. Adjournment:

Secretary Johnson motioned to adjourn, supported by Vice Chair Reiss
VOICE VOTE: All ayes. Meeting adjourned 8:05 p.m.

Minutes Approved on _____

Vice Chair

Chairperson