

**ONEKAMA TOWNSHIP COMMUNITY PLANNING COMMISSION**  
**REGULAR MEETING THURSDAY, APRIL 15, 2010, 6 P.M.**  
**ONEKAMA TOWNSHIP HALL, 5435 MAIN ST., ONEKAMA, MI 49675**

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Dan Behring at 6:02 p.m.

The Pledge of Allegiance was said.

Members present: Vice chairman Susan Barnard, Secretary Jon Phillips, Nancy Story, Doug Mortenson. Absent: Roger Cody, Rudy Gross. Also present: Zoning Administrator Dana Schindler, Recording Secretary Mary Lou Millard.

**CONSENT AGENDA: Motion** by Barnard, second by Phillips to accept the minutes of the February 18, 2010 regular meeting as presented. Motion carried. **Motion** by Phillips, second by Barnard to accept the minutes of the February 26, 2010 special meeting with the following correction: Under Annual Report, add “and be sent to the Village Council”. Motion carried.

Roger Cody arrived at 6:08 p.m.

**SWEARING IN OF NEW MEMBERS:** Clerk Helen Mathieu administered the Oath of Office to new members Craig Peterson and Thomas Koon, both for one year terms; and to Doug Mortenson, re-appointed from a one year to a three year term.

**ELECTION OF OFFICERS: Motion** by Cody, second by Mortenson to retain the current officers of Chairman Dan Behring, Vice chairman Susan Bernard and Secretary Jon Phillips for one year. Motion carried.

Behring welcomed the new members to the commission.

**MANTHEY SUP:** After discussion by commission members, consensus to have Chairman Behring and the planning commission, zoning administrator Dana Schindler and Mr. and Mrs. John Manthey explore development of a new Special Use Permit application with restrictions that would legally address continued use of the property by the Mantheys.

**ITEMS TO BE ADDED TO AGENDA:** None.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** None.

**REPORT ON TOWNSHIP, VILLAGE ACCEPTANCE OF MASTER PLAN:** Behring reported that both entities have passed resolutions approving the Master Plan. Consultant John Iacoangeli will include the resolutions in the final version of the Master Plan.

**FOODTOPIA:** Behring presented information on a small Vermont town that developed ways to market and further develop its home-grown products. Ideas were discussed for a promotion of locally grown products in Onekama, and possibly include Arcadia and Bear Lake. Barnard and Behring will seek further information.

**MEETING DATE CHANGE:** The commissions's May 20 meeting date is changed to Thursday, May 13.

**PROPOSED WIND ENERGY ORDINANCE FOR VILLAGE: Motion** by Mortenson, second by Story to conduct a public hearing on the ordinance Thursday, May 13 at 6 p.m. in the township hall.  
Motion carried.

**MASTER PLAN—NEXT STEPS, IMPLEMENTATION:** The commission will schedule a community informational meeting at 6 p.m. Thursday, July 15, prior to the regular planning commission meeting, to discuss goals, strategies and implementation.

**LAND CONSOLIDATION:** Supervisor David Meister is working on this.

**ORDINANCE DEVELOPMENT:** Committee member Bob Blackmore said the group will meet April 27 at 3 p.m. The project should be completed by this fall.

**ZONING ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT:** Schindler submitted reports for February and March, which were received and placed on file. She also reported on the upcoming GAAMPS and Farm Market Seminar May 20 in Traverse City which will focus on the full ramifications of farm market exclusion from local zoning and what aspects of jurisdiction municipalities may retain, and also reminded the members of free training workshops designed to help better compete in the Global New Economy.

**CIP:** Committee Chairman Phillips explained the plan and said it is necessary since it is mandated by the state and also because the township includes a sewer system and master plan. Commissioners suggested changing Number 36 in the projects list to include “purchase land for preservation as a natural resource”. And add “fire equipment replacement” as a Number One priority. **Motion** by Cody, second by Mortenson to approve the Capital Improvements Program for 2010-2015 as presented and corrected. Motion carried.

A public hearing on the CIP will be held Thursday, May 13 at 6: 30 p.m. following the Wind Ordinance hearing. The commission's regular meeting will follow the CIP hearing.

Behring praised Phillips and the committee of Gross, Mortenson, Evie McNeil, Barnard and Doug Callaway for the superb job they did in creating the first CIP plan for the township.

**AWARDS:** Behring read Certificates of Appreciation for outgoing members Ken Bauer and Evie Mc Neil and asked Clerk Mathieu to deliver them to the recipients.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** None.

**CORRESPONDENCE:** None.

**EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES:** Behring reminded about the free training workshops.

**ADJOURN:** 8:14 p.m.

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Dan Behring, Chairman

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Jon Phillips, Secretary