

# Milton Township

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## Agenda for Milton Township Planning Commission Meeting

Milton Township Hall - 32097 Bertrand St., Niles, MI

PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING

September 9<sup>th</sup>, 2013 7:00 P.M.

# FINAL

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### Planning Commission Members

Kara Boyles, Jeremy Clanton, Ron Jureziz, Richard Hebard, Geoff Klopenstine, Sandra Redman,  
Kelly Sweeney

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**Call to Order/Pledge of Allegiance:** Meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM

- Pledge of Allegiance was recited.
- All were present with the exception of Sandra who had an excused absence.

**Anyone Wishing to Speak to the Planning Commission:** (3 min/person)

No one from the public spoke.

### **Approval of Agenda:**

- Current agenda was approved.

### **Approval of Previous Minutes:**

**August 12, 2013**

Motion: Ron made a motion to approve the minutes as presented

Seconded: Jeremy

Discussion: No Corrections

Vote: All in Favor: 6                      Nays: None

**Motion passed**

### **Community Reports:**

1. Zoning Administrator-gave his report and status update.
2. Township Board Representative-Kelly Sweeney (with help from Sue Kronwitter) gave his report and status update.
3. Zoning Board of Appeals Representative- Jeremy Clanton gave his report.

### **Old Business:**

1. Zoning Ordinance Update-Sub-committee members: Richard, Ron and Kelly

Discussion: The Planning Commission discussed the Milton Township Subdivision Development Ordinance. The sub-committee meeting is scheduled for September 11<sup>th</sup>, from 5-7 PM.

Motion: Ron made a motion to forward on to the Board of Trustees, the Milton Township Subdivision Development Ordinance for the addition of this Ordinance into the Milton Township Civil Ordinances.

Seconded: Kelly

Discussion: No Comments

Vote: All in Favor: 6 Nays: 0

**Motion passed**

2. Subcommittee Update on Rustic Rural Retreat continued evaluation and recommendation based on PC meetings discussion and Planner of Record Opinion on the Matter.  
Committee is working on the Rustic Rural Retreat and having the Rustic Rural Retreat added to Ag Production.
3. Master Plan - PC- Goal assignments - Continue Discussion on approach and schedule.  
Postponed because of the Citizen Planner Training
4. Update on PC Members' Enrollment in Citizen Planner Training Courses  
Training is taking place at Southwestern Michigan College in Dowagiac. Ron, Jeremy, Richard and Kelly will be taking the class at the College and Sandra, Kara and Geoff will be taking the class online.

**Citizen Planner Cass County - Southwestern Michigan College Citizen Planner Cass County - Southwestern Michigan College**

Cass County classes will be held at Southwestern Michigan College, 58900 Cherry Grove Rd, Dowagiac, MI 49047. Classes are being held in room MCC East 629 A.

Wednesday, Sept. 18	6:00 PM – 9:00 PM
Wednesday, Sept. 25	6:00 PM – 9:00 PM
Wednesday, Oct. 2	6:00 PM – 9:00 PM
Wednesday, Oct. 9	6:00 PM – 9:00 PM
Wednesday, Oct. 16	6:00 PM – 9:00 PM
Wednesday, Oct. 23	6:00 PM – 9:00 PM
Wednesday, Oct. 30	6:00 PM – 9:00 PM

**New Business:**

1. Property Rezoning Application - Submitted by "Adams Road Development II Corp & Gumwood Holdings LLC" requesting property to be rezoned from Rural Residential to become Single Family. Applicant will make preliminary presentation and PC will start the "background study" as required by Zoning Ordinance Article XVI, Section 16.08(D). The PC will also consider setting the date for a Public Hearing.

Discussion: John Linn, President of Abonmarche and David Eckrich, President of Adams Road Development II Corp. made a presentation for rezoning (Rezoning Application 2013-1). The Planning Commission discussed the application for Rezoning and asked several pertinent questions. This would be consistent with the current Master Plan and will not take any land from current farming operations.

Motion: Kelly made a motion that the PC has done an initial preliminary favorable background study as required in Article XVI, section 16.08 and to set a public hearing date for Oct 7<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 PM location to be determined, for Rezoning application 2013-1.

Seconded: Jeremy

Discussion: No Comments

Vote: All in Favor: Ron, Jeremy, Geoff, Kara, Kelly, Richard Nays:

**Motion passed**

2. Appointment of 3 people to the Focus Group regarding the Park Plan with Williams and Works.
  - a. Richard appointed Ron, Kara and Jeremy to the focus Group.

**Planning Commission Member Comments:**

1. Geoff mentioned that he might have a conflict of interest with the Rezoning Request.

**Announcements:**

1. Kelly is going to ask the board for approval of funding for the Citizen Planner Training

**Adjournment:**

Motion: Kara made a motion to adjourn the meeting

Seconded: Ron seconded the motion

Vote: All in Favor: 6 Nays: None

**Motion passed**

Meeting was adjourned at 8:26 PM

Minutes respectfully submitted by Kelly Sweeney