

Holly Township
Planning Commission – Regular Meeting
Minutes of ~~October~~ January_02, 2018

Call to Order: Commissioner Alrey called the regular meeting of the Holly Township Planning Commission to order at 6:45 p.m. At the Karl Richter Community Center, Holly Area Schools Board Room, 920 E. Baird St, Holly Michigan.

Roll Call:

Members Present:

Stacey Steckley, Commissioner
Tony Engelberg, Commissioner
Pat Feeny, Commissioner
Lloyd Kernen, Commissioner
Glen Mitchell, Commissioner
AC Alrey, Commissioner

Others Present:

Mike Deem, Township Planner
Karin Winchester, Zoning Administrator

Members Absent:

Ted Gurski, Chairman

- **Commissioner Alrey made a motion to excuse the absence of Chairman Gurski, due to medical issues. Commissioner Steckley supported the motion. A voice vote was taken, all those present voted yes; the motion carried by a 6/0 vote.**

Pledge of Allegiance

Agenda Approval:

- **Commissioner Alreymade a motion to amend the agenda to change item #1 to read “Election of Officers”. Commissioner Steckley supported the motion. A voice vote was taken, all those present voted yes; the motion carried by a 6/0 vote.**

Public Comment – Agenda Items Only: N.A.

Public Hearings: None.

Approval of Minutes – October 03, 2017.

- **Commissioner Alrey made a motion to amend the minutes of October 03, 2017 to change the first motion to be made by Commission Alrey, rather than Commissioner Feeny. Commissioner Kernen supported the motion. A voice vote was taken; all those present voted yes; the motion carried by a 6/0 vote.**

Communications: None.

Old Business: None.

New Business:

1. Election of Officers.

Nominate Tony Engelberg as Chairman of the Planning Commission.

- **Commissioner Steckley made a motion to appoint Tony Engelberg as Chairman. Commissioner Feeney supported the motion. A roll call vote was taken; all those present voted yes; the motion carried by a 6/0 vote.**

Nominate Stacey Steckley as Vice Chairman of the Planning Commission.

- **Commissioner Alrey made a motion to appoint Stacey Steckley as Vice Chairman. Commissioner Feeney supported the motion. A roll call vote was taken; all those present voted yes; the motion carried by a 6/0 vote.**

Nominate Glen Mitchell as Secretary of the Planning Commission.

- **Commissioner Alrey made a motion to appoint Glen Mitchell as Secretary. Commissioner Feeney supported the motion. A roll call vote was taken; all those present voted yes; the motion carried by a 6/0 vote.**

2. 2017 Annual Planning Commission Report.

Mike Deem, the Township Planner, discussed all the topics they have touched on over the past year, which are all included in the Annual Planning Commission report for last year. The Commission would like to get an annual draft of this prior to December each year, so that they can review it and approve by the January meetings of the following year.

- **Commissioner Steckley made a motion to approve the 2017 Annual Planning Commission Report. Commissioner Feeney supported the motion. A roll call vote was taken; all those present voted yes; the motion carried by a 6/0 vote.**

3. Woodlands Protection Ordinance.

The Commission felt the ordinance was too restrictive on residents in their prior version, so they have asked the Township Planner to review and update, to make it more in line with other Cities, Villages and Townships in the surrounding area.

- **No action taken at this time.**

Reports:

Commissioner Alrey reported that he has passed on training materials to Clerk Winchester for everyone; please see her to pick them up. We should all be participating in training and take advantage of it when offered so we can talk to each other about it.

Commissioner Feeney reported that he will be attending a March 03, 2018 CHIP training in Owosso. Supervisor Kullis reminded him that the Township pays for any necessary training and to see Clerk Winchester about registering for any classes.

Commissioner Kernen questioned when the Farmstead Barn would be put back on its foundation. Supervisor Kullis stated it had already been put back on the foundation, but that there were set backs due to the rain initially.

Commissioner Steckley stated that she commends the Township for working with the Road Commission of Oakland County on all the changes over the past year. They've done a very good job and you can tell a difference.

Commissioner Mitchell reported he hopes to help the Planning Commission during his time here.

Commissioner Engelberg reported that December 1, 2017, he attended the Oakland County Planners Gathering. It was a nice networking opportunity which he suggests attending next year. He took a back road drive with George through Holly recently, and he really enjoyed the beauty of the area. They are working on getting the phragmites taken care of due to the potential fire hazard they impose.

- **Commissioner Engelberg made a motion to ask the Township Board to explore the legal ability of bringing on an alternate person to the Planning Commission. Commissioner Kernen supported the motion. A roll call vote was taken; all those present voted yes, with the exception of Commissioner Alrey; the motion carried by a 5/1 vote.**

Public Comment:

Angie Lemon, 116 College St, addressed the board.

Richard Kinnamon, 433 N. Saginaw St, addressed the board.

Lori Lacey, 818 E. Maple St, addressed the board.

Adjournment

Commissioner Engelberg, hearing no other business; adjourned the meeting at 8:36 pm.

Courtney Scian
Recording Secretary