

Calhoun County Planning Commission
Minutes
February 23, 2015

Present: Comrs. Robert Bolton, Suzanne Ebright, Dan Kesselring, Linda Freybler, Sarah Kelly, Blaine VanSickle, and Kelli Scott. Staff: Planning Consultant Jennifer Bomba and Community Development Educator Ingrid Ault.

Excused: Angie Kline

1. The February 23, 2015 Planning Commission Meeting was called to order at 4:00 p.m.
2. Roll was called by the Planning Consultant.
3. Election of Officers

a. Chair

“Moved by Kesselring, supported by Bolton to nominate Blaine VanSickle as Chair of the 2015 Calhoun County Planning Commission.”

On a voice vote, Motion **CARRIED**.

b. Vice Chair

“Moved by Ebright, supported by Bolton to nominate Dan Kesselring as Vice Chair of the 2015 Calhoun County Planning Commission.”

On a voice vote, Motion **CARRIED**.

c. Secretary

“Moved by Kesselring, supported by Ebright to nominate Robert Bolton as the Secretary of the 2015 Calhoun County Planning Commission.”

On a voice vote, Motion **CARRIED**.

4. Approval of Agenda

“Moved by Scott, supported by Kesselring to approve the agenda of the February 23, 2015 Calhoun County Planning Commission.”

On a voice vote, Motion **CARRIED**.

5. Public Comment

There was none.

6. Approval of November 17, 2014 Meeting Minutes

“Moved by Kesselring, supported by Ebright to approve the minutes of the November 17, 2014 Calhoun County Planning Commission meeting.”

On a voice vote, Motion **CARRIED**.

7. Communication

- a. Planning Consultant Bomba presented a letter of resignation from member Coulter. Department staff will begin seeking a replacement for this position on the County Planning Commission.
- b. A Notice of Intent to Develop a Master Plan was received from the Kalamazoo Area Transportation Study on behalf of Homer Township.
- c. Planning Consultant Bomba also shared that she had received a cancellation notice from the City of Battle Creek for the February 25, 2015 Planning Commission meeting.

8. Old Business

There was none

9. New Business

- a. Reappointment of Terance Lunger for a three year term on the County Planning Commission

Planning Consultant Bomba stated that member Lunger’s term had expired at the end of 2014. He has submitted application for appointment for a new term as the Education Representative.

“Moved by Kesselring, supported by Kelly to recommend the appointment of Terance Lunger to the County Planning Commission for a term to expire May 30, 2018.

On a voice vote, Motion **CARRIED**.

10. Township Planning & Zoning Coordination

- a. 2-15-01, Convis Township: PA 116 Application for the Thomas L Smith Living Trust

Staff recommends for approval.

“Moved by Scott, supported by Kesselring to approve 2-15-01, Convis Township: PA 116 Application for the Thomas L Smith Living Trust.”

On a voice vote, Motion **CARRIED**.

- b. 2-15-02, Fredonia Township: PA 116 Application for Brian Dietz

Staff recommends for approval.

“Moved by Kesselring, supported by Scott to approve 2-15-02, Fredonia Township: PA 116 Application for Brian Dietz.”

On a voice vote, Motion **CARRIED**.

c. 2-15-03, Lee Township: PA 116 Application for Phillip and Sharon Williams

Staff recommends for approval.

“Moved by Ebright, supported by Freybler to approve 2-15-03, Lee Township: PA 116 Application for Phillip and Sharon Williams.”

On a voice vote, Motion **CARRIED**.

d. 2-15-04, Albion Township: PA 116 Termination for Brembo North America, Inc.

Staff recommends for approval.

“Moved by Bolton, supported by Scott to approve 2-15-04, Albion Township: PA 116 Termination for Brembo North America, Inc.”

On a voice vote, Motion **CARRIED**.

11. Department Report

Planning Consultant Bomba shared information on an upcoming Place Making seminar that will be offered free of charge and held in the Calhoun County Building on May 5th. Members were encouraged to take advantage of this opportunity.

Bomba also shared that the

12. Member Comments

Member Scott recommended that the South Central Michigan Planning Commission be invited to speak at a meeting to share the direction that they are promoting the region. Bomba will organize this for a future meeting.

13. Public Comments

There were none.

14. Announcements

The next meeting is scheduled for March 23, 2015 at 4:00 p.m.

15. Adjournment

“Moved by Freybler, supported by Kesselring to adjourn the February 23, 2015 Calhoun County Planning Commission meeting at 4:46 p.m.”

On a voice vote, Motion **CARRIED.**

Respectfully submitted,

Robert Bolton
Secretary