

ALPENA TOWNSHIP PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION

MINUTES - Regular Meeting - Monday, March 10, 2008

MEETING COMMENCED: 7:00 PM

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

THOSE PRESENT

Larry Dehring, David DeKett, Chuck LeFebvre, Jim Milstein-Chairperson and Gary Schuelke

ABSENT

Jim Rau and Karen Szymanski

OTHERS PRESENT

Fran Brink - Planning Consultant

Brenda Fournier - 2464 Diamond Dr.

Patricia Orban - 2657 Pearl Rd.

Jim Botnick-Bates - 147 W. Main St., Gaylord

Bruce Dietz - Applicant Representative

Dan Fluker - 18175 Brooks Hwy.

Les Klimaszewski - Building Inspector

Sherry Minton - 2601 Pearl Rd.

Virginia Lockwood - 2741 Pearl Rd.

Cindi Bauer - Applicant

Jim Makowske - 2367 Long Lake Park Rd.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Remove Tom A. from the Others Present list because Tom A. and Thomas Anderson are the same person.

With these changes, D. DeKett made a **motion** to approve the minutes of February 11, 2008, C. LeFebvre supported. **Motion passed unanimously.**

CORRESPONDENCE

a. Wade-Trim Site Plan Review Letter - Case #P-03-08

CASES

1. **Case #P-02-08**, Cynthia Bauer requested a **site plan amendment** to use an existing structure for a pet crematory. Property is located at 2703 Floyd (Pearl Road easement), Parcel No. 018-103-000-220-08, in an I-1 zone district.

Cindi Bauer was present to address the case. Brenda Fournier had question on website for the crematory. Sherry Minton, Virginia Lockwood and Patricia Orban all spoke against the case. The commission discussed building on an easement and that the website, along with an article in the newspaper (hand out), lists more than just a crematorium. The commission asked if deer would be cremated but Cindi replied pets only.

G. Schuelke made a **motion** to **deny** the SITE PLAN AMENDMENT, **supported** by L. Dehring. Case was denied because there is no ingress/egress and is a private easement - Minton's.

Roll call vote: G. Schuelke-aye; D. DeKett-aye; L. Dehring-aye; J. Milstein-aye; K. Szymanski-absent; J. Rau-absent; and C. LeFebvre-aye. **Motion passed unanimously.**

2. **Case #P-03-08**, Word of Life Church requested a **site plan review** for the Word of Life Church expansion. Property is located at 1900 N. Bagley Street, Parcel No. 012-020-000-025-00, in an R-3 zone district.

Jim Makawske and Bruce Dietz were present to address the case. The expansion would be started in the spring. The commission discussed parking spaces and elevation of building.

C. LeFebvre made a **motion to grant** the SITE PLAN REVIEW, **supported** by L. Dehring. Case was approved because it conforms to the township ordinance.

Roll call vote: *G. Schuelke-aye; D. DeKett-aye; L. Dehring-aye; J. Milstein-aye; K. Szymanski-absent; J. Rau-absent; and C. LeFebvre-aye. Motion passed unanimously.*

DISCUSSION

Fran Brink gave an update on the Michigan Planning Enabling Act. Asked commission to review comprehensive plan for future land use. Need more I-1 zones.

NEXT MEETING: April 14, 2008 (tentatively)

MEETING ADJOURNED: 7:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

David M. DeKett
Acting Secretary

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