

**ASH TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION
MEETING MINUTES
November 18, 2014
7:00 p.m.**

The Ash Township Planning meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. in the Ready Road Hall by Chairman Smith.

Members present: Sid Stumpmier, Eric Smith, Bob Lowry, Don Kecskes, Robin Carmack, Eric Blaz, Dan Meiden and Jim Booth.

Absent members: One vacant seat.

Others present: Jim Vaslo – Township Manager, Adam Young – Wade Trim and 4 citizens.

Motion #287 Meeting Minutes Approval.

Motion by Stumpmier supported by Smith to approve the Planning Commission Meeting Minutes of 10/21/14 as presented. Voice vote taken. Motion carried.

Motion #288 Agenda Approval.

Motion by Booth supported by Stumpmier to approve the agenda as amended. Adding Shelton as A. under Old Business. Voice vote taken. Motion carried.

New Business

- A. A site plan review for Parcels #5801-070-001-00, commonly known as 13035 Telegraph Road, Carleton, MI 48117. The site plan is for a change of use to an existing commercial building. The proposed business is for retail sales and reloading of small arms ammunition.

Planner Young was asked to review the proposed site plan for 13035 Telegraph Road. In consideration of the requirements of the Ash Township Zoning Ordinance and sound planning principles Planner Young reviewed his letter dated November 13, 2014. It should be noted that the applicant did receive Planner Young's review letter in advance of the meeting date and did attempt to address the planner's seven comments on a revised site plan which was given to the commission at the meeting. With regards to the missing elements of the site plan per Section 17.03, the applicant's revised site plan included the missing information with the exception of drainage information 17.03,(1),(kk), and the plan set was not sealed by a registered surveyor, registered architect, or registered engineer 17.03,(1),(qq). The other concerns in the planner's letter seemed to be addressed on the revised site plan.

The applicant was present and as mentioned above, shared the revised site plan with the Commission and answered questions from the Planner and Commission Members. In general the

Chairman and commission members were satisfied with the revised site plan and the following motion was offered:

Motion # 289 To Approve Contingent.

Motion by Booth supported by Blaz to approve the revised site plan dated 11/18/14, for Parcels #5801-070-001-00, commonly known as 13035 Telegraph Road, Carleton, MI 48117, for the proposed retail business that would be selling and reloading small arms ammunition contingent on the revised site plan being review by the planner and approved; the Township Engineer approving the detailed engineering; and the plan set being signed and sealed by a registered surveyor, registered architect, or registered engineer.

Roll Call: 8 – Yes, 0 – No Motion carried.

Old Business

- A. Grading and filling of Parcel # 5801-034-035-50, owned by Shamrock Development/Brian Shelton.

The chairman started discussion by questioning Manager Vaslo as to why there had not been a site plan submission by the owner for the improvements being made to the property. Chairman Smith also indicated that it was his understanding (and the commission concurred) from the October planning commission meeting that the owner would be submitting a site plan in time for the November meeting. Manager Vaslo agreed that from the statements made by the owner in October that he too thought a site plan would be forth coming. Other than that statement, Manager Vaslo could not answer the Chairman's question.

At the commission direction, Manager Vaslo was to bring this matter to the attention of the Township Board at their meeting on 11/19/14, and ask them to take legal action to stop the work and to bring the property into compliance.

Motion #290 Meeting Adjourn.

Motion by Booth supported by Smith to adjourn at 7:45 p.m.
Voice vote taken. Motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted

Jim Vaslo
Township Manager