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GLEN ARBOR TOWNSHIP

Planning Commission
Glen Arbor, Michigan 49636
June 12, 2008

Special Meeting

CALL TO ORDER: Chairman Lance Roman called the Special Meeting of the Glen Arbor Planning Commission to order at 7:30 PM

ROLL CALL: Barbara Gordon, Jim Seeburger, Kent Kelly, Frank Wilcox, Jerry Giesler and Lance Roman. Lois Saltzman was absent.

AGENDA: Approved as presented

MINUTES: Jim Seeburger moved the minutes be approved as corrected. The motion was supported by Barbara Gordon. Motion passed.

CORRESPONDENCE:

None

NEW BUSINESS:

Township Supervisor, John Soderholm presented planning and cost information on the proposed gardens and public washroom facilities on the old firehouse property. Site for the septic field, fund raising, visual of the washroom facility, site plan of the entire garden and washroom facility and future meeting dates were presented.

Following Mr. Soderholm's presentation was a presentation by Russ Clark of Russ Clark and Associates. Mr. Clark is the Landscape Architect the Township has retained and he provided a plan for the proposed garden and placement of the public washroom and kiosk.

A public meeting will be held on Monday, June 23 at 7:00PM at the Townhall.

Following the presentations, a discussion by the Planning Commission ensued.

Lance Roman referred to the Master Plan's proposal for the old firehouse property as being zoned *Governmental* which would not lend itself to the proposed garden and public washroom.

Frank Wilcox expressed concern over safety issues and felt some sort of security might be needed.

Kent Kelly felt that not enough of the Township had had the opportunity to voice positive or negative reactions to the Township Board's proposal.

Barbara Gordon voiced positive support for the project as did Jim Seeburger.

A motion to approve a recommendation to the Township Board in favor of this project was made by Jim Seeburger. Rollcall: Jim: yes, Frank: yes, Jerry: yes, Barbara: yes, Lance: no, Kent: no. Motion was seconded by Barbara Gordon and carried 4 to 2.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Amy Peterson spoke in support of this project, as did Ann Davies and Ted Peterson.

COMMISSION MEMBER COMMENTS:

Jim Seeburger thanked everyone for the work that has been done on this project and those in attendance for their interest.

Kent asked that the Planning Commission review the Empire Zoning Ordinance and he will get the Sign Ordinance from Empire as well. Dick Figura would like Glen Arbor to meet with Empire and it will be scheduled at a later date.

Jim Seeburger would like to work on rewording the Master Plan to incorporate the proposed gardens and restroom facility.

Kent would like to have the M72 windmill issues on an agenda for another meeting.

ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting was adjourned by Lance Roman at 9:00 PM

Respectfully submitted,
Dotti Thompson
Recording Secretary
Planning Commission