

**CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF FENTON PLANNING COMMISSION
MINUTES FOR REGULAR MEETING OF MARCH 11, 2008**

**TOWNSHIP CIVIC COMMUNITY CENTER
12060 MANTAWAUKA DRIVE, FENTON, MICHIGAN**

Chairman Tucker called meeting to order at 7:08 p.m.
Present: Carlson, Franz, McGuirk, Richard, Spees, Tucker
Recording Secretary McDonald
Absent: Root

Chairman Tucker introduced Jim McGuirk newly appointed Commissioner.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

Motion to approve the agenda as presented
Motion by: Tucker
Seconded by: Carlson
Ayes: Carlson, Franz, McGuirk, Richard, Spees, Tucker
Nays: None
Absent: Root
Motion carried

PUBLIC HEARING:

**AMENDMENT ZONING - ORDINANCE ARTICLE 4, SECTION 4.16
KEEPING OF WILD ANIMALS**

Chairman Tucker explained the Township Board had reviewed zoning ordinance 594, article 4, section 4.16 (Keeping of Wild Animals) after staff found inconsistencies between the zoning ordinance and a general ordinance that was adopted in 2006 with regard to wild, dangerous and vicious animals. In a memo from Doug Piggott, Zoning Administrator dated 1-24-08 he stated that, since the general ordinance was adopted more recently and it is assumed it reflects the current policy of the Township Board, the recommendation is that the Board initiate an amendment to the zoning ordinance to delete the provisions of section 4.16 and state that the keeping of wild animals shall comply with the Township's Wild, Dangerous and Vicious Animals Ordinance. Chairman Tucker called for audience comments. There were none.

Motion to recommend approval as presented
Motion by: Carlson
Seconded by: Franz
Ayes: Carlson, Franz, McGuirk, Richard, Spees, Tucker
Nays: None
Absent: Root
Motion carried

REQUEST FOR EXTENTION - MALLARD'S LANDING – SITE PLAN

Chairman Tucker explained that on 12-06-07, John Mansour, JM Developments, Inc. requested the final site plan approved for phase I of Mallard's Landing be extended. Because there were no further extensions allowed the request was postponed to consider an amendment to the zoning ordinance to allow for further extensions of site plan approvals. The ordinance only allowed for 2 – 1 year extensions. The time limit extension provisions of section 8.11 of the zoning ordinance was amended in February of 2008. This section allows the Planning Commission to grant extensions of an additional 1 year per extension for preliminary and final site plan approval if the applicant submits a request for an extension prior to expiration of the approval. This decision is at the discretion of the Commission and is not

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limited with regard to the number of extensions an applicant may be granted. Chairman Tucker called for audience comments. There were none

Motion to grant a 1 year extension for the final site plan approval of Mallard's Landing as requested

Motion by: Spees

Seconded by: Carlson

Ayes: Carlson, Franz, McGuirk, Richard, Spees, Tucker

Nays: None

Absent: Root

Motion carried

MINUTES: February 12, 2008 stand approved as submitted

ADJOURN: 7:34 p.m.

John Tucker, Chairman

Minutes Posted 03/12/08

Sandra Carlson, Secretary