

**TOWNSHIP OF FREMONT**  
**COUNTY OF TUSCOLA**  
**MAYVILLE, MICHIGAN 48744**  
**Planning Commission Meeting**

October 3, 2017

**Board Present:** Ken Bragg, Amy Holbrook, Ron Curell, Tyler Ireland, RoseAnn Laskowski, Kim Vaughan and Terry Glowicki. **Board Absent:** None. **Guest Present:** Henry Wymore, Lyle Fryers,

Planning Commission Meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Ireland.

**Approve Minutes:** Without objection or correction the July 11, 2017, minutes were approved. Motion made by Glowicki, seconded by Curell - motion carried.

**Public Comments:**

Lyle Fryers stated that we need to do something about the gravel pits that are not being used. If they are not going to be used, they need to be reclaimed. He stated that we need to get a hold of the owners and find out their intentions. He suggested that the Planning Commission Board send the owners a letter requesting for them to come to the next meeting and let us know what their intentions are for reclaiming the property. Laskowski stated that we need to get a copy of their special land use and review it before we contact them. Lyle Fryers also questioned as to whether or not we were going to make solar farms be a special land use or have an ordinance for them. The Board stated that they felt it was best to leave the as a special land use so that we could look at them individually and put in place any necessary stipulations.

**Old Business:**

Master Plan – The Master Plan is due for the 5-year review to stay in compliance. Glowicki stated that he noticed how more people are walking and riding bikes on our roads and we do not have an edge on the roads for them to be on, so they are on the road and it is dangerous. He stated that we should maybe put something in our Master Plan about having that as one of our future plans. He stated that he has noticed other townships that are addressing this issue in their master plans. Laskowski stated that there are several statics in our master plan that need to be updated. It was also stated that since the Village of Mayville is redoing their master plan, that we should update ours and remove anything that doesn't apply to the township. Laskowski stated that there is some verbiage that we can keep, but there is a lot of work that needs to be done. Laskowski asked if we should each take a section and review it for the next meeting. Curell asked if we knew what was required to be in the master plan and Holbrook stated that she would try to find some guidelines. Curell asked if we could accept the current master plan as is so that we stay in compliance but then work on updating what we have. Motion made by Curell, seconded by Bragg to recommend to the Township Board to accept the master plan as is – motion carried. Motion made by Vaughan, seconded by Bragg to start updating the master plan – motion carried.

Wind Turbines – Ireland asked if we were going to have anyone come and speak to the Board about the wind turbines as was discussed at the last meeting. Vaughan stated that he has talked to representatives from the companies and they have done research and will not be coming into Fremont Township so he does not see the need for them to come to our meeting. Wymore also commented that we really do not have any area that would be suitable for a wind farm.

**New Business:**

Motion made by Vaughan, seconded by Bragg, to pull the minutes from the special land use meeting regarding the gravel pit on Washburn Road and to have Ireland and Holbrook review those minutes and send a letter to the owners requesting them to attend the next meeting to see what their future plans are for the property – motion carried.

**Next Meeting:** Next Planning Commission meeting will be on January 9, 2018, at 7:00 p.m.

Meeting adjourned at 8:06 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by  
Amy L. Holbrook, Secretary