

**Ganges Township Planning Commission
Special Meeting Minutes FINAL for May 15th, 2008
Ganges Township Hall
119th Avenue and 64th Street
Fennville, MI, Allegan County**

I. Vice Chairman **Gooding** called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

Roll Call: Chairman: Jim **Birkes** – Absent
Vice Chairman: Barry **Gooding** – Present
Secretary: Jackie **DeZwaan** – Present
Commissioner: Sally **Howard** – Present
Commissioner: Ed **Reimink** – Present
Commissioner: Dawn **Soltysiak** – Present
Board Trustee: Terry **Looman** – Present

Also present were Zoning Administrator – Tasha **Smalley** & Brenda **Moore** Principal Planner with LSL Planning, Inc

II. **General Public Comment – None**

III. Approval of Agenda

Soltysiak made a motion to approve the agenda, with the addition of line item III “Approval of the Agenda”. Seconded by **Looman**. Motion carries.

IV. **Zoning Ordinance Workshop**

The Planning Commission met with Brenda **Moore** continuing the effort of reviewing the Zoning Ordinance primarily reviewing **Article 12 – “Site Plan Review”** and **Article 13 – “Site Development Requirements”**.

In review of **Article – 12 “Site Plan Review” – Section 12.10 ‘Appeal’**”, the PC deliberated whether or not to leave Section 12.10 as it currently reads, (allowing for an appeal to the ZBA) or to delete Section 12.10 thus not allowing the resident the option to appeal a decision made by the PC to the ZBA.

Motion by **DeZwaan** to not allow a ‘Site Plan’ to be appealed to the ZBA. Seconded by **Gooding**.

Roll Call Vote: **Looman** – Yes, **Reimink** – No, **Howard** – No, **Gooding** – Yes, **DeZwaan** – Yes, **Soltysiak** – Yes.

With a vote of **4 – Yes & 2 – No**, the motion carries to not allow a ‘Site Plan’ to be appealed to the ZBA.

V. **Other business that may come before the Commission**

Looman explained that the Township Board has approved requests for the PC to attend a workshop entitled “Finding a Voice – The Black & Paw Paw River Watershed”. Notify Clerk **Yonkers** if you plan to attend.

VI. **Future Meeting Dates**

The next scheduled **Special Meeting** will be held on **Thursday, June 19th, at 6:00 pm**. **Moore** will attend. The next **Regular Meeting** will be held on **Tuesday, June 24th at 7:00 pm**.

General Public Comment - None

VII. **Adjournment**

Motion by **Looman** to adjourn this meeting at 10:05 pm. Supported by **Howard**. Motion approved, meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,
Ronda J. Hall
Ganges Township Recording Secretary