Watson Township Planning Commission Regular Meeting August 26, 2009

1. Call meeting to order

Chairperson David Carter called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

2. Pledge of Allegiance

All recited the pledge.

3. Roll call

Present: David Carter, Beverly McKinnon, Michelle Harris, Troy Baker, Barbara Wrobleski, Rod Zeinstra and Jim Baas.

Also present: Doug Fuss 1881 120th Avenue, Allegan, Penny Fuss 1881 120th Avenue, Allegan, Dave Van Antwerp 1972 114th Avenue, Allegan, Jim Lautenschleser 1922 21st, Allegan, Ken Pardee 1814 Schanz Road, Martin, Member of the Allegan County Planning Commission, Margo Wright 1803 120th Avenue, Allegan, Bob Wright 1803 120th Avenue, Allegan, Jake Ceplina 1986 120th Allegan, Norma Ceplina 1986 120th Avenue, Allegan.

4. Approval of minutes

Rod made a motion to accept the minutes. They were seconded by Beverly. All approved.

5. Public Comments and Communications

Dave Van Antwerp asked if he was on the agenda. Dave answered "He is." Doug Fuss informed the Planning Commission about his letter to us. He feels that Dawn Weick of the dog Kennel, has broke the zoning rules. Jake Ceplina said he was at Doug's house and the dogs were barking and Doug shot his gun and the dogs were quiet and then the dogs started to bark again. Margo Wright said she has heard muffled gun shots at the dog farm. PCI and Candy have been informed about the noise. As of this time Dave hasn't heard from them. Rod and Dave told Doug that the Township will look into his complaint. Things seem to have changed since Dawn first applied for her special use permit.

Ken asked if there was a special topic that we would like at the March meeting? Wind generators was suggested. Jim Lautenschleser said he felt this was a very good suggestion. It is being discussed in higher places.

6. Approval of Agenda

Michelle made the motion to accept the Agenda. The motion was seconded by Troy. All approved.

7. New Business

a. A-1 Agricultural Conservation District Zoning Language.

Recommendations related to a process of sale to be used in the future.

From Jim Lautenschleser-He has six questions about zoning in A-1. ZBA heard this case and Dave feels that the planning commission should include some building compatibility on Master Plan. He also has some questions. After some discussion Rod made the motion to table this A-1 Agricultural Conservation District Zoning Language. The motion was seconded by Michelle. All approved.

8. Old Business

Master Plan & Future Land Use/Implementations

The Planning Commission does not have a new copy of the Master Plan ,so we can't do anything at this time. We will try to get a copy for the next meeting. Also the members of the Planning Commission got copy's of Gun Plains Master Plan on their computers. This Master Plan was over 70 pages long so we didn't copy it. Dave will look into getting a disk of this.

9. Any other business/ongoing business

None

10. Adjourn meeting

Rod made a motion that we adjourn the meeting. It was seconded by Troy. All approved.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:45pm.

Barbara Wrobleski