

ROBINSON TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION
November 11, 2014

The special meeting of the Robinson Township Planning Commission was called to order at 7:30 PM at the Robinson Township Hall.

Present	Absent
Bill Maschewske Shawn Martinie Tom TenBroeke George Schippers Travis Vugteveen Sue DeRuiter	Scott Blackmer

Also present were Township Attorney Ron Bultje, Zoning Administrator Kathy Kuck, and Rich Bramer, Chuck Morgan, and Mike Weavers of the public.

A motion was made by Travis Vugteveen and seconded by George Schippers to approve the October 16, 2014 Planning Commission minutes with the correction of the spelling of Cech on page 4.
The motion carried unanimously.

Non-Commission Member Inquiries

Mike Weavers – Wanted to emphasize the importance of bringing municipal water into the Township. Mr. Weavers inquired if the Township had a plan to supply municipal water. He feels the Township needs a plan for water.

Bill Maschewske – Stated the Township has an adopted Master Water Plan.

Mike Weavers – Wanted to know why the Township is not running water lines if there is a plan.

Township Attorney Bultje – Stated the methods by which a water line is funded. It was also noted that the Township had previously tried to supply water to 136th Ave. in the vicinity of Stearns Bayou and the citizens rejected the proposal.

Reports and Communications – None

Announcements -- None

Old Business

Review continued on page 18 of the M-231 Sub-Area Plan, Draft 1 with date of October 13, 2014, from the last meeting.

Zoning Administrator Kuck – Reported that all of the proposed planned commercial area for the area of M-231 and Lincoln St. was currently owned by MDOT. Following discussion, it was agreed to inquire with the Planning Consultants, LSL, regarding this issue. The Planning Commission was previously unaware of the owners of this property as ownership is not a consideration in determining planned land use.

All proposed changes to the M-231 Sub-Area Plan, Draft 1, were noted by Chairperson Martinie on a copy of the document with draft date of 10/13/14 and as marked-up on 10/28/14 and 11/11/14. A lengthy discussion was held regarding re-shaping the commercial area to the east of M-231 along M-45 in a manner that would reduce the distance included to the east and instead extend the boundaries further north and south. This issue would also be referred to LSL for their comments.

Review of the M-231 Sub-Area Plan, Draft 1, concluded on page 30.

New Business – None

The next Planning Commission meeting was scheduled for November 25, 2014.

A motion was made by Travis Vugteveen and seconded by Tom TenBroeke to adjourn the Planning Commission meeting at 10:40 PM.

The motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Bill Maschewske, Secretary
Robinson Township Planning Commission