Elk Rapids Township Planning Commission
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The Regular Monthly Meeting of the Elk Rapids Township Planning Commission was called to order by Chairman, Emile Sabty, on Tuesday, October 3, 2006, at 6:30 PM, at the Government Center, 315 Bridge Street, Elk Rapids, MI. Present: Emile Sabty, Renee Mischel, Shen Smith, Don Glowicki, Jr, Brian Altonen, Wm. Larson & Jim Lundy. A quorum was established. Also Present: Len Harrett, Brian Wegener, and Patrick Brady.

Minutes: Minutes for the September 5th meeting were reviewed with a motion by Brian Altonen 2nd by Jim Lundy. to approve as published. **MOTION CARRIED: Y-7, N-0**

Public Forum: No input from the public was received.

Land Division Act: A motion was made by Shen Smith, 2nd by Renee Mischel to approve proposed amendments to Township Zoning Ordinance for Sections 2.18 (A.), (B.), (C-5.), (D3,5 & 6), and also Section 2.19 (A) with the addition of "Land Division Act, Michigan Public Act 288 in these sections.. **MOTION CARRIED: Y-7, N-**0

Master Plan Review: Pat Brady asked for a definition of "cottage industry" as referenced on pages 3, 5, and 19. After discussion of what a cottage industry is and where it can be located, a motion was made by Shen Smith, 2nd by Jim Lundy to delete paragraph 3 on page 3 and replace the word "cottage industry" on pages 5 & 19 with "home-based occupations**". MOTION CARRIED: Y-7, N-0**. A motion was made by Jim Lundy, 2nd Shen Smith to approve the final master plan draft with the above deletions and additions. **MOTION CARRIED: Y-7, N-0**. Brian Wegener was asked to forward 8 copies of the completed draft to the Elk Rapids Township Board, and supply the secretary with a CD so the draft can be uploaded to the Elk Rapids Township website.

Traverse Brewing Company: A request was received from the Elk Rapids Township Board to review a letter received from John Archibald, Owner of the Traverse Brewing Company, 11550 US 31 S, Williamsburg, Mi. 49690 requesting permission for a musical permit in their pub room and outside beer garden noting that all of their shows would have ended by 10:00 PM. Discussion regarding the original allowed use for the business indicated that the approve hours of operation for the business were 11:00 AM – 6:00 PM. There was no authorization for a beer garden outside, nor for musical entertainment. Zoning Administrator, Len Harrett indicated that parking is a primary problem with the site, and that the business is currently operating a full bar instead of a tasting room as previously approved. A motion was made by Emile Sabty, 2nd by Renee Mischel to recommend to the Elk Rapids Township Board to deny the request for musical entertainment for this establishment as they are currently in violation of several Township ordinances, and not operating in keeping with their approved site plan. **MOTION CARRIED: Y-7, N-0**.

US-31 CORRIDOR OVERLAY ZONE: Tabled to the next meeting.

NOVEMBER MEETING: Chairman Sabty reported that the November meeting will be held in the small conference room as the election balloting will be in the main meeting room.

As there was no further business at this time, a motion was made by Jim Lundy, 2nd by Wm Larson to adjourn. **MOTION CARRIED: Y-7, N-0**. Meeting was adjourned at 8:57 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Shen Smith
Secretary