

Hillsdale County Planning Commission Minutes

Monday, November 19, 2012

Called to order at 1:35p.m.

Members present: Deb Sikorski, Fred Fowler, Gary Reppert, Shelby Bollwahn, Parke Hayes, President Ned Bever and Mike Potts

Guests present: Karen Scugoza

Correction to the minutes: Change Herb to Fred Fowler. Moved by Reppert, Supported by Sikorki to approve minutes as corrected. Unanimously approved.

Agenda Approval: Moved by Fowler, supported by Bollwahn to approve the agenda. Unanimously approved.

Public Comment: Karen Scugoza from Reading, read a written statement and shared information regarding fracture oil drilling operations.

Public Hearings: N/A

Unfinished Business: Hillsdale County Master Plan Review: The board discussed the changes to the master plan that will be submitted for approval by the commission.

New Business:

a. PA 116 Applications

i. Camden Township Enrollment – David N & Shelly M Hasley (Section 4 T9S R4W 98.66 acres m/l & 40 acres m/l)

The board took no action pending questions to the property owners for more information.

Any other Business/on-going business: None

Public Comment: None

Communications

a. Calhoun County – Notice of Intent to Amend the Calhoun County Master Plan

b. Township of Somerset – Release of a Draft Master Plan

Hayes moved, supported by Sikorski to acknowledge receipt of the above communications. Unanimously approved.

Adjournment: 2:47p.m.

Next Meeting: December 17, 2012, 1:30p.m., Hillsdale County Intermediate School District, Parke D. Hayes Building, 310 W. Bacon, Hillsdale, MI 49242

Questions for property owners Hasley on PA 116 application.

Why is the property classified as residential if they are applying for an agricultural tax exemption?

What kind of income are they deriving from agricultural production?

What is the intent behind the land preservation?

What is the incentive to the owners to have the property in P.A 116 designation?