

**CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF HAMPTON
PLANNING COMMISSION
JANUARY 12, 2012**

The regular meeting of the Charter Township of Hampton Planning Commission was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Chairperson Basket in the Boardroom of the Hampton Township Administrative Offices.

PRESENT: Helminiak, Basket, Talaga, DeWyse, Mulders, Hebner

ABSENT: Klass

ALSO PRESENT: Sheppard, Eggers, 4 people in audience

Motion by Talaga seconded by Helminiak that the minutes of the November 10, 2011, meeting be approved as printed and that the reading of the minutes be waived. Motion carried.

COMMUNICATIONS:

There were none.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Steve McDonald, owner of 514 W Center, appeared before the board to discuss the tabled special use permit for a farm market.

Discussion was held on the following: applicant is going ahead with outside farm market instead of inside produce business. How many acres of farm land to have farm market? Applicant currently has 10 acres of farm and a purchase agreement on another 10 acres. How many driveways are permitted? The need for a driveway permit with an existing building. Township will re-notice for public hearing since it's been so long. Applicant can wait until the board has further discussion on farm market policies during the next few meetings.

Motion by Mulders seconded by Talaga to table the special use permit for Steve McDonald, owner of 514 W Center until the April or May meeting so that the board has time to further discuss the farm market policies. Motion carried

NEW BUSINESS:

Meeting was turned over to the Attorney for election of officers.

Motion by Mulders seconded by Talaga that Mark Basket be nominated for the position of Chairperson.

Motion by Mulders seconded by Talaga that nominations be closed and a unanimous ballot cast for Basket for Chairperson. Motion carried.

Motion by Mulders seconded by Dewyse that Jerry Talaga be nominated for the position of Vice Chairperson.

Motion by Mulders seconded by Basket that nominations be closed and a unanimous ballot cast for Talaga for Vice Chairperson. Motion Carried

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Motion by Dewyse seconded by Mulders that Jodie Hebner be nominated for the position of Secretary.

Motion by Dewyse seconded by Talaga that nominations be closed and a unanimous ballot cast for Hebner for Secretary. Motion Carried.

Discussion was held on creating a sewer discharge ordinance for the township. Currently sewer discharge is covered under the Bay Area Storm Water Authority (BASWA) of which Hampton is a part of. The drain commission recommended that the township have its own ordinance; currently the drain office reviews site plans. The township could adopt an ordinance by resolution. BASWA to come up with an ordinance template. Discussion of the sewer discharge will be on the agenda for future meetings.

Discussion was held on zoning and the Right to Farm Act with the Dept of Ag. Sheppard to talk to Mr. Whitman from the Dept of Ag. Limiting the acreage of large animals or pets. Will be on agenda for next meeting's discussion. Any other municipalities that have same situation.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

There were none.

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC:

Dewyse addressed the board that Don Klass is no longer on the planning commission and if anyone has any ideas of who would want to serve, please let Terry Spegel, supervisor know.

Motion by Mulders seconded by Dewyse that the meeting adjourn. Motion carried.
Meeting adjourned at 9:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted:

Jodie Hebner, Secretary