

**Dorr Township Planning Commission  
January 20, 2009 Minutes**

1. Chairman Robert Wagner called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M.
2. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.
3. Roll Call--Members Present: Joycelin Denstone, Norm Fifelski, Jennifer Lamb, Gordon Lieffers, Karen Slater, Robert Wagner, and Jan Johnson Township Planner. Members Absent: Larry Dolegowski.
4. The Minutes of the December 16, 2008 Regular meeting were presented. A motion was made by Joycelin Denstone and supported by Gordon Lieffers to approve the minutes as presented. All Aye. Motion carried.
5. The Minutes of the January 6, 2009 Special meeting were presented. Karen Slater reported that James Doezema attorney for Don Anthony Builders & Developers sent an email on 1/19/09 stating the conditions for approval on the motion for a Special Land Use Permit should read, "except as may be required by ordinance or existing agreement." Ms Slater stated that the motion had been made, supported and voted on as worded and did not advise revising the minutes. A motion was made by Joycelin Denstone and supported by Gordon Lieffers to approve the minutes as presented. All Aye. Motion carried.
6. Changes or Additions to the Agenda  
2008 Year End Report added to New Business (c).
7. Public Comments  
None.
8. Old Business:
  - a. Proposed amendment for display in an Industrial Zone district.  
The Main Street Planning Memorandum dated 10/1/08 was reviewed. Discussion ensued whether to amend the I-Industrial Zone District to include provisions for outdoor display or to develop a Mixed Use PUD that allowed outdoor display. The applicant would be required to apply for a Special Land Use Permit and a rezone to the Mixed Use PUD district. The 2007 Master Plan recommends a Mixed Use Planned Unit Development District for the land in question.  
Jan Johnson will prepare a draft and present it at the next regular Planning Commission meeting.

b. Revision of Planning Commission By-laws

Jan Johnson reviewed Draft #1 of the revised By-Laws and Rules of Procedure dated 11/18/08. The changes made are required by Public Act 33 of 2008.

Discussion centered on the issues of preparing an annual work budget and an annual Capital Improvements Program.

Jan Johnson will prepare Draft #2 for adoption at the next regular Planning Commission meeting.

c. Creation of Planning Commission

Jan Johnson presented Draft #1 of the Creation of the Planning Commission Ordinance dated 11/13/08.

Section 2-Members

4. Delete

5. Revise the education requirements for Planning Commissioners to require training for new members and offer optional training opportunities to reappointed members.

6. (j) revise to read "other as identified by the Township Board."

Section 3 Membership

Robert Wagner will contact the Township Clerk for clarification for items A. & B.

F. Jan Johnson will research the requirements for membership transition.

H. Remove the word "optional."

Section 5 Powers and Duties

6. Delete.

Jan Johnson will revise the Ordinance for review at the next regular Planning Commission meeting.

9. New Business:

a. 2009 Planning Commission work plan list.

The Main Street Planning 2009 Planning Commission Work Plan List dated 1/8/09 was presented.

Robert Wagner identified the issue of composting operations as high priority and will place it on the agenda for the next regular Planning Commission meeting.

Commissioners were asked to review the Work Plan List for discussion at the next regular Planning Commission meeting.

b. Quarterly zoning billing.

Professional Code Inspections Quarterly report for October through December 2008 was briefly reviewed.

c. 2008 Year End report

Karen Slater presented the 2008 Year End Report and will email a copy to the Planning Commissioners and the Township office.

10. Commissioner Comments

a. Wayland Township held a Public Hearing on their Master Plan on 1/14/09.

b. Educational opportunities were discussed.

c. Robert Wagner & Jan Johnson reported on a meeting held with the Township Supervisor and a developer who is considering building an apartment complex on 142<sup>nd</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup> Street.

11. A Motion was made by Norm Fifelski and Supported by Joycelin Denstone to adjourn. All Aye. The meeting was adjourned at 9:20 P.M.

The next scheduled regular Planning Commission meeting is February 17, 2009.

Respectfully Submitted,

*Karen Ann Slater*

Karen Ann Slater  
Secretary