



**ACME TOWNSHIP
FARMLAND & OPEN SPACE PRESERVATION
CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMITTEE
Thursday, March 11, 2010, 3:00 p.m.
Acme Township Hall
6042 Acme Road, Williamsburg MI 49690**

Meeting called to Order at 3:03 p.m.

Members present: B. Carstens, G. LaPointe
Members excused: B. Garvey (Chair)
Staff present: S. Vreeland, Township Manager
N. Edwardson, Recording Secretary
Also present: B. Bourdages, Farmland Preservation
R. Challender, K. Engle, D. Hoxsie, R. Saylor, C. Walter

1. **Limited Public Comment:** None
2. **Approval of Minutes from March 02, 2010 meeting:**
Motion by LaPointe. Seconded by Carstens to approve the meeting minutes from March 2, 2010. Motion carried unanimously.
3. **Correspondence:** None
4. **New Business:** None
5. **Old Business:**
 - a. **Open forum discussion: how Acme Township's Zoning Ordinance can be revised to be more agricultural and agribusiness-friendly**
We continued discussing the one acre minimum parcel size in agricultural district, setbacks, buffers and density.
Issues, concerns and questions voiced were:
 - Density:
Collateral problem. Valuation of smaller lots vs. larger lots, at which use.
Deemed not a problem
 - Land management. How do you get the best return on the investment
 - Setbacks/buffers:
50' front (no change)
100' side and rear
 - Review parking space requirements for farm markets vs. GAAMPS

The next scheduled meeting is Thursday, March 18, 2010, at 3:00 p.m.

ADJOURNED AT 5:00 p.m.