

## ACME TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION Acme Township Hall 6042 Acme Road, Williamsburg, Michigan 6:00 p.m. Monday, May 20<sup>th</sup> 2013

## ZONING COMMITTEE MEETING NOTES

Meeting called to Order with the Pledge of Allegiance at 6:05 p.m.

Members present: B. Carstens, T. Forgette, K. Wentzloff, Paul Turowski,

Jim Redmann

**Members excused:** 

Staff Present: N. Lennox, Zoning Administrator (recording secretary)

John Iacoangeli, Planner

INQUIRY AS TO CONFLICTS OF INTEREST: None

## 1. New Business: FORM BASED CODE

John Iacoangeli discussed with the committee the elements of Form Based Code (FBC). The Township has place-making plans in place, traditional zoning is not working, it is time to change the type of zoning that will guide the business districts and make them economically viable in the future.

FBC focuses on 4 components: The character of the area, The building form, including height, placement, parking, facades and entrances, vehicular internal roads, pedestrian accessibility, and landscaping.

The group would like public input from business owners. They agreed that to start the zoning administrator and committee member, Paul Turowski, will discuss this with the Acme Business Association.

Discussion about Tom's and Kmart, parking, setbacks and their viability. Discussion on the Bluff, and not blocking the view of the bay from residents.

Discussion on providing 2<sup>nd</sup> story apartment and condos. 1<sup>st</sup> floor retail shops, facades of buildings including glass window display areas, material specifications, landscaping and parking to the rear and side of new buildings, re-development of existing buildings and strip malls.

Next meeting to be held on June 11th at 6:00 p.m.

Public Comment/Any other business that may come before the Commission: None

ADJOURN at: 7:00 p.m.