



**ACME TOWNSHIP
FARMLAND & OPEN SPACE PRESERVATION
CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMITTEE
Tuesday, February 23, 2010, 1:00 p.m.
Acme Township Hall
6042 Acme Road, Williamsburg MI 49690**

Meeting called to Order at 1:20 p.m.

Members present: B.Garvey(Chair)Joined by phone conference,B. Carstens, G. LaPointe
Members excused: None
Staff present: S. Vreeland, Township Manager
J. Hull, Zoning Administer
N. Edwardson, Recording Secretary
Also present: B. Bourdages, Farmland Preservation
R. Challender, K. Engle, D. Hoxsie, C. Walter, N.Veliquette, D.White

1. **Limited Public Comment:** None
2. **Approval of Minutes from February 16, 2010 meeting:**
Motion by LaPointe. Seconded by Carstens to approve the meeting minutes from February 16, 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**
Vreeland said we ended our discussion last week when we began looking at the **"Intent and Purpose"** introduction to the agricultural district in the zoning ordinance.
Engle recently had a appraisal done by Tim Johnson, Cedar Consulting firm. He shared with the group the definition Johnson gave him on his appraisal. With this as a guide the advisory made suggestions as to changing the "intent and purpose" statement in the zoning ordinance. A draft was prepared and the advisory will study and continue discussion at the next meeting.
Other issues discussed were lot sizes, buffer zones, density. Discussion will continue at the next meeting.

The next meeting with be Tuesday, March 2, 2010, at 2:30 p.m.

ADJOURNED AT 3:00 p.m.