

# Almont Township

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## ALMONT TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING

January 13, 2016

The regular meeting of the Almont Township Planning Commission was called to order at 7:04 P.M. by Chairperson Bryan Zender at the Almont Township /Village Hall, 817/819 N. Main Street, Almont, Michigan 48003. Roll call was taken.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Brad Bletch, Steve Francis, Jean Gross, Mark Lauwers, Clay Stroup, and Bryan Zender. Also present were Scott Kree from ROWE Professionals.

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** Kim Streeter and Cory Mabery, PE, Davis Land Surveying & Engineering were excused.

**ALSO PRESENT:** 1 guest

**CORRESPONDENCE:** Presented

**MINUTES:** MOVED BY FRANCIS AND SUPPORTED BY STROUP TO RECEIVE THE MINUTES FROM DECEMBER 9, 2015 AS PRESENTED AND CORRECTED. MOTION CARRIED.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS:** None Presented

**LATE AGENDA ITEMS:** N/A

**INTRODUCTION:** N/A

**PUBLIC HEARING:** None

**NEW BUSINESS:** 1. 2016 OPEN MEETING RESOLUTION

**MOVED BY LAUWERS AND SUPPORTED BY GROSS TO APPROVE RESOLUTION AS PRESENTED. MOTION CARRIED.** Planning Commissions meetings will continue to be held on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of the month beginning at 7p.m.

NEW BUSINESS CONTINUED: 2. REVIEW SUMMARY OF PROPOSED ZONING REVISIONS

Discussion was held on the proposed amendment to Article 2, section 2.02.2 – building height. After further thought it was agreed to amend the proposed revision to include how the height is measured. Consensus of the Commissioners agreed that the height (29 feet to the peak and 16 feet maximum on the end walls) is to be measured from the interior floor height; all other amendments were approved as presented. A public hearing shall be scheduled for the February 10, 2016 regular meeting to hear public comments on the various proposed amendments to Zoning Ordinance 39, as amended.

**OLD BUSINESS:** Review proposed amendments to Table of Uses

Commissioners went through and discussed the proposed changes noting where several areas needed to be clarified and/or simplified. Further discussion will be continued at the February meeting.

**ELECTIONS:**

Chair: Member Francis agreed to let his name stand for the position of Chair. **MOVED BY ZENDER AND SUPPORTED BY LAUWERS TO CLOSE THE NOMINATIONS AND UNANIMOUSLY ELECT STEVE FRANCIS AS CHAIR OF THE PLANNING COMMISSION. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

VICE CHAIR: Member Zender agreed to let his name stand for the position of Vice-chair. **MOVED BY FRANCIS AND SUPPORTED BY LAUWERS TO CLOSE THE NOMINATIONS AND UNANIMOUSLY ELECT BRYAN ZENDER AS VICE- CHAIR OF THE PLANNING COMMISSION. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

SECRETARY: Member Gross agreed to let her name stand for the position of Secretary. **MOVED BY FRANCIS AND SUPPORTED BY ZENDER TO CLOSE THE NOMINATIONS AND UNANIMOUSLY ELECT JEAN GROSS AS SECRETARY OF THE PLANNING COMMISSION. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**REPORTS:** Planner - N/A

Engineer – N/A

Zoning Board of Appeals – N/A

Zoning & Building – December 2015 report submitted via email

Planning Commission General Comments - Possible businesses that have shown interest in coming to Almont.

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Proposed Agenda for January 13, 2016: Public Hearing: Proposed amendments to Zoning Ord. 39

Old Business: Table of Uses

**MOVED BY FRANCIS AND SUPPORTED BY LAUWERS TO ADJOURN. MOTION CARRIED. MEETING  
ADJOURNED AT 8:48 P.M.**

Respectfully Submitted by ,

*Ida L. Lloyd*

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