

**MINUTES**  
**Blue Lake Township**  
**Planning and Zoning Commission**  
**December 2, 2015**

**1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER**

The Regular meeting of the Blue Lake Township Planning Commission was called to order by Chair Person Rhonda Allen at 9:000 am on December 2, 2015 at Blue Lake Township Hall.

**2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

The Pledge of Allegiance was said by all in attendance.

**3. ROLL CALL**

Members Present: J. Ross, F. Heegeman, R. Allen,  
M. Shaw, K. David, T. Sawasky

Members Absent: J. Lavender

**4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

A motion was made by Heegeman and supported by Allen and unanimously adopted:

It was resolved that the agenda for the December 2, 2015 meeting be approved as written

**5. DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST (If any)**

None

**6. PUBLIC COMMENT**

It was noted that the cottage that had the sewage problem now has a new septic system.

It was noted that residents have been asking about boathouses in the greenbelt again, and some residents feel that the Township should accommodate the highest tax paying residents.

It was noted that if the Township wants the Zoning Administrator to enforcing the Zoning rules, it's important for the Township Board members to back him up and defend his enforcing of the rules to the Township community. It was noted that Mary Shaw was the only member that stood up to defend the Zoning Administrator about his enforcement of the rules.

It was noted that someone has a sign on a public street that says it is a private road. A private road is technically accessible by the public; a resident is not allowed to block the access. It was noted that maybe the Township Board should do something about this.

**7. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM (November 4, 2015)**

A motion was made by Shaw and supported by Sawasky and unanimously adopted:

It was resolved that the Minutes for the November 4, 2015 meeting be approved as written.

**8. REPORT OF TOWNSHIP BOARD REPRESENTATIVE TO THE PLANNING COMMISSION**

None

**9. REPORT OF PLANNING REPRESENTATIVE TO THE ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS**

None

**10. OLD BUSINESS**

Master Plan

It was noted that Dean had made some changes, but they were not tagged so we're not sure what was changed.

**11. NEW BUSINESS**

Meeting dates for 2016

There was some discussion about changing the meeting times and days. After much discussion, it was determined to keep the meetings on Wednesday mornings. There was discussion about getting a comment box with email available for people to leave comments, and these will be put on the website, or the comments can be left in the drop box for things that people who are not able to attend can have addressed. We will have one meeting on a Saturday

**12. PUBLIC COMMENT**

none

**13. PLANNING COMMISSION INPUT**

none

**14. SET/CONFIRM DATE OF NEXT PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING**

It was determined that there would not be a meeting in January or February, and the Planning Board would resume on March 2, 2016

**15. ADJOURNMENT**

A motion was made by David, supported by Shaw, and unanimously adopted, it was resolved that this April 1, 2015, meeting be adjourned at 10:40 am.

These minutes are not official until approved by the Blue Lake Township Planning Commission at the next scheduled meeting to be held on March 2, 2016 at the Blue Lake Township Hall.

Respectfully submitted by:

Attested to:

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Fran Heegeman  
Planning Commission  
Recording Secretary

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Tom Sawasky  
Planning Commission  
Vice Chairperson