



**ACME TOWNSHIP
FARMLAND & OPEN SPACE PRESERVATION
CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMITTEE
Wednesday, April 3, 2013 1:00 p.m.
Acme Township Hall
6042 Acme Road, Williamsburg MI 49690**

Meeting called to Order at 1:08 p.m.

Members present: D. Hoxsie (Chair), Greg Send, Bob Carstens
Members excused: None
Staff present: N. Lennox, Zoning Administrator- Recording Secretary
J. Jocks, Township Legal Counsel
B. Bourdages, Farmland Preservation
Also present: R. Challenger, R. Sayler, K. Engle, J. Pulcifer, D. Amos

1. Limited Public Comment: None

2. Approval of Minutes from March 06, 2013 meeting:
Motion by Hoxsie. Seconded by Send to approve the meeting minutes as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

3. Business :

1. Discussion about [PDR FAQ](#) sheet, to clarify several items, Jocks will revise sheet.
2. Discussion about “Bargain Sale”, comments from K Engle, and Fed. Criteria for Capital Gains, tax liabilities. Jocks states each applicant should retain council for review of application.
3. Discussion on gas wells, subordinations, Jocks states that State and Fed. grants have additional restrictions on number of wells etc.
4. Other Ag. uses such as wineries, food processing, food hubs, uses supported by RTF and GAAMPS allowed. Members ask about County program and percent of products allowed to be produced and sold on a farm, intent was to keep it local. Lancaster County used as example. Inquiry about CAFOs . Jocks states he doesn’t see restrictions against.
4. Members would like FAQ sheets sent out to AG. property owners to keep them informed.

Motion made by Hoxie, second by Send to request of the PC to recommend to the Board a mailing to AG. Land owners, the FAQ sheet and regulations of the PDR program. Motion carried unanimously.

5. Discuss current [Agricultural Preserve Area Map](#)

Property owner Jon Pulcifer would like to include 2 parcels into the Landscape Protection Map that were recently purchased. The property borders the Yuba Nature area and would be a nice buffer to the AG land to the West of the property.

Motion by Hoxie, seconded by Send to recommend an amendment to the Planning Commission with the addition of 225-008-02 and 224-028-00 in their entirety to the Landscape Protection Map. Motion carried unanimously.

The next scheduled meeting is Wednesday, May 1, 2013, at 1:00 pm

Adjourned at 3:25 p.m.