

**BLENDON TOWNSHIP
PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING
MINUTES
September 1, 2011**

1. At 7:00 pm Chairman Mark Leathead called the meeting to order.
2. Rick Lamer offered the invocation.
3. Roll call: Present; Paul Potter, Dale Brown, Jim Vander Veen, Mark Leathead, Ron Wind, Paul Blauwkamp, Rick lamer.
4. Attendees: Jim Scholma, Zoning Administrator, Recorder. Andrew Moore, Williams & Works.
5. Approval of the Agenda
 - Motion by Paul Potter, supported by Paul Blauwkamp to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried.
6. Approval of the minutes of the April 7, 2011 Planning Commission meeting.
 - Motion by Ron Wind, supported Paul Potter by to approve the April 7, 2011 Planning Commission meeting minutes as presented. Motion carried.
7. Opportunity for public comment.
 - Members of the public were present but upon invitation no comments or questions were presented.
8. New Business
 - A. Public hearing – Rezone request of James and Esther Brower for PP# 70-13-23-400-046 to R-1 Low Density Residential.
 - 1) The recorder, Jim Scholma read the Notice of Public Hearing as was printed in the Advance Newspapers.
 - 2) Chairman Mark Leathead opened the public hearing.
 - 3) The recorder Jim Scholma explained to the Planning Commission the reason for the rezone request.
 - 4) Chairman Mark Leathead closed the public hearing.
 - 5) Discussion – The Planning Commission determined that the rezoning of PP# 70-13-23-400-046 was consistent with the Master Plan.

- 6) Motion by Jim Vander Veen, supported by Paul Blauwkamp to recommend to the Township Board for approval the applicants request to rezone PP# 70-13-23-400-046 from AG Preservation to R-1 Low Density Residential. Motion carried.
- B. Request of Blendon Township Emergency Services Board for changes to the Blendon Township Zoning Ordinance Chapter 9 Sec 09.04 and 09.05.
 - The request was discussed and the Planning Commission asked the Zoning Administrator to do a survey of shared and private driveways within the township and present the results at the October 6, 2011 Planning Commission meeting.
- C. Review of Blendon Township Ordinance Chapter 14 Sec 14.06.06 and 14.06.08
 - The ordinance was reviewed by the Planning Commission and no action was taken.

9. Information

- Chairman Leathead presented information concerning the US governments Agenda 21 – Land Use

10. Correspondence

- No correspondence was presented to the Planning Commission.

11. Upcoming Events

- Township Board meeting – Sept. 15, 2011
- Planning Commission meeting – Oct. 6, 2011

12. Adjournment

There being no other business to come before the Planning Commission at this time, the Chairman called the Planning Commission to adjournment until the next regularly scheduled meeting on Oct 6, 2011 at 7:00 pm. Hearing no objection the Chairman declared the Planning Commission meeting adjourned at 8:33 pm.

Recorded by Jim Scholma, Zoning Administrator

Submitted by Jim Vander Veen, Secretary