

Manistee Township Planning Commission
Accepted Minutes for February 7, 2008 meeting

The meeting was called to order at 7:04 p.m. by Chairman Dinsen.

Members present were Dontz, Dinsen, Dunlap, Finout, Switalski, Zielinski and Willett. No members were absent.

The pledge to the flag was given.

A moment of silence was given in the passing of Zoning Administrator Robert (Rob) Marble.

Member Guy Finout has agreed to be interim Zoning Administrator. A job description for the permanent position to be determined in the future.

It was moved by Dunlap with the support of Zielinski to approve the January 3, 2008 regular meeting minutes, and place on file. Motion carried.

Member Dontz reported on the February 5, 2008 Zoning Board of Appeals hearing. Douglas Valley was granted a use variance for installation of a meteorological tower and a dimensional variance for the height of one hundred ninety eight feet.

The Zoning Administrator report was presented. There has been an interest in personal use wind generators.

Lakeview Orchard/Douglas Valley Organic Vineyard Community Planned Unit Development special use permit awaits additional information. The owner wishes to address some minor adjustments to his request.

On the proposed new zoning ordinance, private road/driveway regulations need more review. Requests have been very light. District regulations to be discussed at next meeting. Private use wind generators and MET tower regulations to become part of a wind power section of the ordinance.

The Township has received a draft copy of the proposed Manistee County Master Plan.

The current 2001 Township master plan was discussed. After a review of that plan it moved by Switalski, with support of Dunlap, that the document be left as printed, until further review indicates a need for change. Motion carried.

The next meeting of the Manistee Township Planning Commission will be March 6, 2008 at 7:00 P.M. at the Manistee Township Hall.

It was moved by Dontz, with support of Zielinski to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried.

Respectively submitted,

Dennis R. Switalski,
Acting Secretary