

**BEAR LAKE TOWNSHIP**  
7771 Lake Street  
Bear Lake, Michigan 49614

October 12, 2015

Quarterly Meeting

Bear Lake Township Planning Commission

The meeting was called to order at 7:10p.m. by Bill Ringel. Roll call was taken. Planning commission members present: Janette May, Cindy Zatarga, Bill Merriman and Bill Ringel . Member absent: Jr. Bowling.

The minutes from the previous meeting on April 14, 2015 were reviewed. Motion by Bill Merriman, second by Bill Ringel, to approve the minutes as printed. All voted in favor. There was no quarterly meeting in July because of a lack of a quorum.

We are still awaiting the attorneys advice on the public hearing regarding the medical marijuana laws. We are in limbo awaiting the States ruling.

We discussed accessory building permits. Accessory buildings are not an allowed use in the residential district. Bill Ringel will check with our attorney about the possibility of when we have the public hearing for the wind ordinance if we could also add having storage buildings as a special use in the residential and resort residential areas.

Janette will check with the board about the master plan in regards to sensitive areas.

We reviewed a document regarding signs and feel we are in compliance.

Our quarterly meetings in 2016 will be Jan. 12, April 12, July 12 and Oct. 11.

We reviewed our bylaws. Motion by Bill Ringel and second by Bill Merriman to accept the bylaws with one change, that being the officers position will change on alternate years and not yearly. There was also a typo and " 91" needed to be deleted. All in favor.

There is a Right To Farm meeting in Benzonia on Dec. 16 if anyone is interested.

There being no further business, motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:35 p.m. by Bill Merriman and seconded by Cindy Zatarga. All in favor.

Respectively submitted,

*Cindy Zatarga, Secretary  
Bear Lake Township Planning Commission*