

WEXFORD COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION
Regular Meeting Minutes: Wednesday March 12, 2014, 7:00 PM
Wexford County Services Building, 401 N. Lake St.
Cadillac MI 49601

1. **Call to Order:** Chairperson Osborne called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM
2. **Roll Call:** Mix, Monroe, Middaugh, Stoutenburg, Mitchell, Wiggins, and Osborne were present. Michael Green, Zoning Administrator and Robert Scarbrough, Building Official were also present.
3. **Approval of the Agenda:** Motion was made by Middaugh, with support by Mix, to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried with all in favor.
4. **Approval of the January 29, 2014 Minutes:** Motion was made by Wiggins, with support by Middaugh, to approve the January 29, 2014 Minutes as presented. Motion carried with all in favor.
5. **Correspondence [not related to public hearing(s)]:**
 - (a) **Zoning Ordinance Update:** Green and Scarbrough presented a draft Zoning Ordinance that was prepared by a focus group in charge of making recommendations to the County Board for the future of county zoning. It was explained to the Planning Commission that the focus group came up with the idea of drafting a scaled-down version of the current Zoning Ordinance that offered basic land use protections and with the idea that the townships could adopt their own zoning at any time. This proposal met with concerns from several Planning Commission members that this goes too far. Green explained that the Planning Commission would likely be asked to hold a public hearing at some point to consider a recommendation to adopt, not adopt, or adopt with revisions.
6. **Other Business:** *[None]*
7. **Old Business:** *[None]*
8. **New Business:** *[None]*
9. **Public Comment:** John Fuscone, resident of Cedar Creek Township and County Commission member, would like to see the Planning Commission's recommendation on the draft Zoning Ordinance. He also lamented the divide on the Planning Commission and wondered if a five-member commission would work out better.
10. **Adjournment:** Motion was made by Mitchell, with support by Middaugh, to adjourn the meeting at 7:46 pm. Motion carried with all in favor.

Respectfully Submitted by:

Michael Green, Zoning Administrator

Paul Osborne, Chairperson