

MINUTES OF DIMONDALE PLANNING COMMISSION
Work Session/Joint Meeting with Windsor Township Planning Commission
136 N. Bridge Street, Dimondale, MI 48821

March 28, 2016

Denise M. Parisian, Clerk

The meeting was opened at 6:03 p.m.

Present: Bergamini, Blair, Brija, Estes, Haynes, Johnson, Macak, Pray, Reiffer, Reznick

Absent: Burton, Rumsey

Also present: Denise Parisian, Village Manager; Betsy Kelly, Recording Secretary.

Parisian explained that the purpose of the meeting was to discuss ways in which the Village and Township can work together in implementing the Windsor Charter Township and Village of Dimondale Comprehensive Plan. The Commissioners introduced themselves. Pray noted that good feedback was received from the recent capital improvement planning public meeting held on March 23rd. Discussion followed on numerous topics of interest: Parisian noted that the planning consultant recommended by Jim Foulds will be attending the Village Planning Commission regular meeting. Pray stated that the Township is considering using Pete Preston if consulting services are needed going forward. Pray explained that the Township Supervisor is working closing with the Lansing Area Economic Partnership regarding the future use of the Lansing Road properties owned by the Township. She noted that this area is being considered for a distribution corridor. The commissioners talked about cable/internet issues in the community and the discussion from the March 23rd meeting, emphasizing the importance of this service to younger residents. The need for a new Township Office was discussed and Bergamini questioned the Village's interest in office space if the Township project moves forward. Parisian stated that the Village would appreciate the opportunity to consider any future plans, although new offices have not been identified as a priority for the Village. Blair noted that other items related to a Township complex are under consideration such as relocating the Fire Department. Parisian brought up Code Enforcement as an area that the units could share resources in the future. Discussion followed regarding specific property problems and procedural considerations. Pray mentioned she has suggested that the Village have representation on the Board of Review. The possibility of meeting again in six months was acknowledged.

The work session adjourned at 6:59 p.m.