ESCANABA TOWNSHIP ZONIG AND PLANNING COMMISSION

August 6, 2018 MINUTES

The August 6, 2018 meeting for the Escanaba Township Zoning and Planning Commission was called to order by Jack Penegor at 7:30 pm.

The Pledge of allegiance was led by Jack Penegor.

Roll Call: Jack Penegor, Ann LaBumbard, Ray Hughes, Norm Fleury, Cliff Barron Barry King were present. Rene Lippens is excused for medical reasons.

A motion to approve the July minutes as written was made by Barry King and seconded by Ray Hughes. Approved by all.

Public participation: Rene Lippens is still on the Zoning and Planning Commission.

Approval of the agenda. Under new business add Judy Granger. Under Blight add Rick LaBumbard, Larry King and Robert Beauchamp. With these additions the motion was made by Ray Hughes to approve the agenda, seconded by Ann LaBumbard. Approved by all.

Zoning administrator's report:

Zoning permits were issued to Robert Asberry and Dan Coppock.

Blight Report: Robert Beauchamp property at 3117 Blacksmith 20.5 In Gladstone. Complaint from 17 homeowners on Blacksmith 20.5 Ln. The Beauchamp property is not maintained an is a state of disrepair. It is recommended the property be condemned and torn down. A motion to send to the township board, that the house be condemned, torn down and the bill go to the home owner, Robert Beauchamp was made by Cliff Barron. Seconded by Norm Fleury. A vote was taken. Ray Hughes yes, Norm. Fleury yes, Ann LaBumbard yes, Cliff Barron yes, and Barry King yes. By a vote of 5 to 0 this motion was approved.

Larry King: Cliff Barron asked if Mr. King is 250 feet off Chaison Road. He is. There is also a trees line around 3 sides of the property. Cliff Barron made a motion there is no complaint, because it can't be seen from a public road. Norm. Fleury seconded the motion and it was approved by all. Barry King does not have any monetary interest in this property.

Rick LaBumbard: Mr. LaBumbard is working with the EPA. EPA is going to get a search warrant to see what is in the buildings. The EPA is looking for money to clean this up. Mr. R. LaBumbard is not to move the TVs himself. The EPA doesn't want them moved until they have a place for them.

Board update: It was brought up about widening J road, but they did an early paving on J road.

New Business: Judy Granger would like to sell lot 449 and 450 for condo's. The Zoning and Planning Commission checked maps and it is zoned R-3. Condo's can be put up.

Old Business: Ken Brunette wants the zoning and planning commission to draft an ordinance on solar farms. Clinton township ordinance would be the best to follow. Look at setbacks from road.

Announcements: Workshop at the Besse Firehall 7 pm September 17, 2018. Zoning and Planning meeting will be October 1, 2018 at 7:30 pm.

Adjourn: Motion to adjourn was made by Cliff Barron, seconded by Norm. Fleury. Approved by all. Adjourned at 8:30 pm.