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***MINUTES OF THE PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING***  
**DATE: SEPTEMBER 11, 2017                      TIME: 7:00 P.M.**  
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**MEMBERS OF PLANNING COMMISSION**

Chair – Jerome Doyle	Robert Gensheimer
Vice Chair – Mark Newman	Donn Hinds
Secretary – Ronald Flowers	William Mills
Daniel J. McGrath, Board of Trustees Representative	
Joyce A. Wilson, Recording Secretary	

**PRESENT:** Jerome Doyle, Ronald Flowers, Robert Gensheimer, Donn Hinds,  
Daniel J. McGrath, William Mills and Mark Newman

**ABSENT:** None

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Nine (9) other individuals

**I. MEETING CALLED TO ORDER** at 7:00 P.M. by Planning Commission  
Chair **JEROME DOYLE** with Roll Call and Pledge to the American Flag.

**II. APPROVAL OF AGENDA: COMMISSIONER FLOWERS MOVED,**  
supported by Commissioner Donn Hinds to approve the agenda as submitted.

**THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**III. APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MINUTES: COMMISSIONER**  
**GENSHEIMER MOVED,** supported by Commissioner Mills to approve the  
minutes of the August 14, 2017 Meeting as submitted.

**THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**IV. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

1. Special Use Permit to dig a pond at 8195 W. Frances Road, vacant land, Parcel No. 08-02-200-010 pursuant to Special Use Permits Article XVIII, Section 20-1804 (BB) Ponds.

Dave Stanley, the contractor for the pond, stated the pond was going to be for recreational use only. He further stated the excavated dirt would be removed from the property. Commissioner Hinds questioned whether there would be any berms located around the pond and Mr. Stanley stated there would not. Mr. Stanley stated the area would be sloped to the pond.

Chairman Doyle reviewed the Site Plan Check List with those present stating the site was approximately 45.4 acres with the pond being approximately 300 feet from the back of the house. Mr. Stanley stated there would be a 4 inch plastic drain line flowing to the southwest with a clean out and screen. It was stated the pond would have a one to four foot slope out to a depth of six feet.

Chairman Doyle stated an earth removal permit would be required for the project. He also questioned what type of grasses would be used in the project with Mr. Stanley stating he would use a conservation mix.

There was a brief discussion regarding completion of the project which includes the pond and house. Mr. Stanley and the General Contractor both indicated it should be done by this time next year. Also, the pond would be completed first so there would be no heavy truck traffic on the property after the house was finished.

**COMMISSIONER HINDS MOVED**, supported by Commissioner Flowers to grant a Special Use Permit to dig a pond at 8195 W. Frances Road, vacant land, Parcel No. 08-02-200-010 pursuant to Special Use Permits Article XVIII, Section 20-1804 (BB) Ponds.

**ACTION ON THE MOTION:**

**ROLL CALL VOTE**

**AYES:** Doyle, Flowers, Hinds, Mills, McGrath and Gensheimer

**NAYS:** Newman

**THE MOTION CARRIED**

## **V. NEW BUSINESS**

1. Special Use Permit to place an accessory structure in the front yard located at 7491 West Coldwater Road, Flushing, Michigan 48433, Parcel No. 08-24-100-004, pursuant to Section 20-1804 (a) "Accessory Structures".

Mr. Lanfrankie, owner of the property at 7491 W. Coldwater Rd addressed the Planning Commission stating circumstances had changed and he would no longer need an additional structure for storage and, therefore, he wished to withdraw his request for a Special Use Permit for an Accessory Structure. He apologized to the Planning Commission for any inconvenience this might have caused.

## **VI. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Supervisor Thorsby was present to give an update to the Planning Commission on the status of a building inspector and code enforcer for the Township.

## **VII. COMMISSION COMMENTS**

Discussion continued regarding the position of Building Inspector/Code Enforcer with Supervisor Thorsby.

With no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:40 P.M.

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JEROME DOYLE, Chair

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RONALD FLOWERS, Secretary

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Date of Approval

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Joyce A. Wilson, Recording Secretary