

**Planning Commission Meeting Minutes
February 8, 2010**

Present: Tim Dumbroski, Dave Swartz, Ken Starz, and Fred Welton.

Also Present: Tami Natskakula, Chad Rendos, Rick Grossman- Planning Consultant, and Barbara Brown-Township Administrator

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order by Chairman, Tim Dumbroski at the Springfield Township Building at 7:00 PM. Tim stated the first order of business at tonight's meeting was to review the proposed amendments to the zoning ordinance amendments prepared by the Commission. Tim stated the Commission's goal was to protect the residents and property owners property values, but to allow business's the opportunity to advertise. Tim thanked Rick Grossman for all of the hard work he has contributed while working with the Commission on these amendments.

Citizens Concerns-Public Comment: Tami Natskakula and Chad Rendos stated they were concerned with the restrictions of lighting signs in the Village District. They felt that interior lit signs should be allowed within the District, and asked the Commission to consider allowing their use. After discussion among the Commission, with advise from Rick Grossman, Ken Starz moved to allow interior lit signs by adding the following to Section 508.2.H:

“ 5. Signs may be illuminated by direct or¹ indirect means. Illumination of the sign face shall not exceed 100 luxes (10 footcandles) measured at a distance of 10 feet from the sign, unless any portion of the illuminated sign face is within One Hundred (100) feet of an occupied residential dwelling and visible from the dwelling of such district. In such cases, illumination shall be reduced to 10 luxes (1 foot candle) measured at the property line.”, and changing the last paragraph after the table in 508.4 to: “**District Illumination Regulations:** Signs in the RD and V Districts illuminated by outside light focused to shine upon an opaque sign face shall be limited to no more than a 75-Watt fixture. The fixture shall be placed above the sign face to shine downward, and meet performance standards under Section 508.2”,

second by Fred Welton, vote unanimous, motion carried. Ken Starz moved to present the proposed amendments to the Supervisors and recommend the adoption of the amendments to Sections 401, 807, 810 and 508, second by Dave Swartz, vote unanimous, motion carried. Dave Swartz moved to have Barb forward the proposed amendments to the Mercer County Regional Planning Commission for comment, second by Fred Welton vote unanimous, motion carried.

Agenda Additions or Deletions: None.

Old Business:

Adjourn: Dave Swartz moved to adjourn at 9:00, second by Fred Welton.