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**CALUMET COUNTY**  
**PLANNING, ZONING & FARMLAND PRESERVATION COMMITTEE**  
**MARCH 1, 2018**  
**THESE MINUTES ARE APPROVED**

**1. Meeting Announcement and Posting**

The meeting was properly announced and posted. Staff Member Payette called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

**2. Roll Call**

Committee Members present: Deiter, Hartl, Geiser and Cousins  
Committee Members Excused: Kleckner, Hofberger and Ott  
Staff Members present for all or part of the meeting: Payette and Rohloff  
Others present for all or part of the meeting: Tom Karls, Lynn Kind, Willard Liepert, Doreane Liepert, Tom Klein, Randy Schneider, Judy Klein, Aaron Thurwachter, Joe Weidensee

**3. Nomination and Election of Chairman Pro Tempore**

In the absence of the Committee Chair and Vice Chair, Payette called for nominations of Chairman Pro Tempore. Cousins nominated Hartl and Hartl nominated Deiter as the most senior County Board Supervisor present at the meeting. Payette closed nominations after calling for additional nomination 3 times. Payette called the matter to a vote with Deiter receiving Chairman Pro Tempore on a unanimous vote of all members present. The meeting was turned over to Chair Pro Tempore Deiter.

**4. Pledge of Allegiance**

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all.

**5. Approval of Agenda**

Motion by Hartl and seconded by Geiser to approve the agenda. Motion carried unanimously.

**6. Approval of Minutes from February 1, 2018 Committee Meeting**

Motion by Geiser and seconded by Cousins to approve the minutes from the February 1, 2018 Committee Meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

**7. Public Participation**

None.

**8. Report of Committee Members**

**a. Reports of Official Meetings Held Since Last Planning, Zoning & Farmland Preservation Committee**

None.

**b. Upcoming Events Reported by Committee Members**

None.

**9. Communications**

**a. Focus on Calumet**

The Committee reviewed the February 19, 2018 edition of Focus on Calumet. Supervisor Hartl commended Mary Kohrell for her effort on this bi-weekly newsletter and her continued efforts on economic development issues in Calumet County. Supervisor Cousins and Deiter concurred.

**10. Convene Meeting and Enter Public Hearing**

Motion by Geiser and seconded by Hartl to convene meeting at 9:07 a.m. and enter public hearing. Motion carried unanimously.

**a. Petition 1: Thomas and Judith Klein; Zoning Map Amendment; Sec. 82.118 Zoning Ordinance; Town of New Holstein**

Tom and Judith Klein are seeking to rezone a property from General Agriculture to Small Estate to allow them to sell the property for a residential dwelling unit. Payette read the staff memo into the record and letters in opposition of the request from Willard and Doreane Liepert and Jody and Neely Hechel. Petitioner Tom Klein answered questions from the Committee. Willard Liepert and Joe Weidensee spoke in opposition due to the lack of property access and the loss of rural character that this would cause in the area. The Town of New Holstein provided written correspondence to the record stating their only objection with the request is to not add another culvert/driveway at the road. Discussion ensued.

Motion by Cousins to table the request because the property has been already split; the community character needs to be maintained; the loss of prime soils (farmland); the addition of a culvert at the road and an easement hasn't been obtained for residential use. The motion was seconded by Hartl for discussion purposes. Hartl explained that she felt the reasons listed in the motion to table warranted denial of the request. Motion failed by a vote of 3 to 1 with Cousins voting for and Hartl, Geiser and Deiter voting against. Hartl moved to deny the request. Second by Geiser. Motion carried unanimously.

**b. Mary Thurwachter; Conditional Use Permit; Sec. 82.62(a)(6)D Zoning Ordinance; Town of Charlestown**

Mrs. Thurwachter is requesting a conditional use permit to create a non-farm residence. Rohloff read the staff memo into the record. Aaron Thurwachter answered committee questions regarding the request. Discussion followed. Motion by Hartl and seconded by Geiser to approve the conditional use permit. Motion carried unanimously.

**11. Close Public Hearing and Reconvene Regular Meeting**

Motion by Hartl and seconded by Geiser to close public hearing and reconvene regular meeting at 9:45 a.m. Motion carried unanimously.

**12. Items for Action or Discussion**

**a. Tourism Summer Promotional Video Preview**

Payette showed the Committee the Summer Tourism Video.

**13. Report of Department**

**a. Code Administration Update since Last Committee Meeting**

**b. Planning Activities Since Last Committee Meeting**

**14. Upcoming Events/Past Events**

**a. Workshop for Local Planning & Zoning Officials – Wednesday, April 18, 2018**

Payette reported this workshop is being co-sponsored by the Calumet County Planning, Zoning and Land Information Department. Committee members should let our office know if they are planning to attend.

**15. Discuss Next Meeting – Thursday, April 5, 2018; 9:00 A.M.**

The next meeting will be held on Thursday, April 5, 2018 at 9 a.m.

**16. Adjournment**

Motion by Geiser and seconded by Cousins to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 10:20 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
Matt Payette, Recording Secretary