

**OCTOBER 6, 2009**  
**ROLLIN TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION MINUTES**

At 7:00 p.m. on October 6, 2009 Chairman Olis Burch called the Public Hearing to order to hear a request to change the Pittman property at 9730 Devils Lake Hwy (RLO 104432000/433000) from Residential to Commercial/Recreation.

Roll Call: Present: Julia Peterson, George Hawkins, Ray McGrath, Olis Burch, Walter Miller, Nancy Nichols. Absent with notice: Amy Gilhouse.

Mark Riggle, with Remax Irish Hills Realty said he was looking for property that would lend itself to having a restaurant and marina. Mr. Riggle said being next to the public boat launch that this property would do just that. Mr. Riggle said that he had no signed purchase agreement at this time.

Chairman Burch said that the decision of the board tonight was to recommend or not recommend. Next steps would be Region II Planning Commission, Lenawee County Planning Commission, and then the Township would have the final decision.

Questions were asked about the size of the property, number of parking spaces, number of boat slips and other questions that related to the final use of the property.

Chairman Burch then open the floor for those in attendance who wished to speak against the change. Objections mentioned by those speaking against were: heavy car and boat traffic, concern for car and boat accidents due to alcohol consumption, no need for another restaurant/ bar, or marina in the area, concern for the wet lands, pollution of water, noise, devaluing of property, size of property not large enough for proposal, spring break type atmosphere, potential vandalism, late night noise, more demands on roads and sewer, diminish quality of life at the lake.

Those speaking against the proposal, citing one or more of the above concerns above were: Lawrence Patton, Dennis Kulkowski, Michael Doyle, Richard Sherlitz, Arlen Miller, Jerry Hicks, Jim Cragon, Millie Thompson, Nick Thompson, Gary Haynes, Pam Ulrich, Kim Picker, William Holtz, Julie Holtz, Janet Stevenson, Beverly Burger, Dennis Burger, Gary Bonner, Sherrill Bonner, Reilly Bennet, Dick Stanbridge, Ron Bennet, Jerry Marzolf (President of the Lake Preservation League, which voted against the measure), and Jerry Wilson.

Letters against the proposed change of zoning were also received from: Fran Sikorski, William & Julia Holtz, Dean Sanner, Vincent King, Scott Storey, Pam Ulrich, Richard & Suzanne Dietsch, Bernie Sikorski, Jean Thomas, Steve Thomas, Robert Dillioid, Rajiv & Mina Naik, Dave & Joyce Rohrback, Susan Rohrback.

No one spoke in favor of the proposal to change the zoning.

The Planning Commission members echoed the voice of the people.

Ray McGrath made a motion to deny the request for change in zoning, supported by Nancy Nichols. Roll Call vote: Julia Peterson: Yes, George Hawkins: Yes, Ray McGrath, Yes, Olis Burch: Yes, Walter Miller: Yes, Nancy Nichols: Yes. Request denied.

Ray McGrath made a motion to adjourn supported by George Hawkins. All ayes voted. Meeting adjourned at 7:48 p.m.

Next meeting NOVEMBER 3, 2009 at 7:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Walter Miller, Secretary.