

BLAIR TOWNSHIP ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS
Regular Meeting - January 14, 2009

- A. The regular meeting of the Blair Township Zoning Board of Appeals was called to by Chairman Sanford at 6:00 pm at the Blair Township Hall.
- B. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.
- C. Present at the meeting were Zeits, McGee, Mapes, Lombard, Sanford, and Fitzpatrick. Hamlin was absent. The Zoning Administrator was in attendance, there were no guests.
- D. There was no public input.
- E. Motion by Fitzpatrick supported by Lombard to approve the agenda as presented. Motion passed unanimously.
- F. There was no conflict of interest stated.
- G. Motion by Mapes supported by Fitzpatrick to approve the minutes of the July 9, 2008 regular meeting as presented. Motion passed unanimously.
- H. Board member Zeits stated that he ran into Steve Largent from the Grand Traverse Conservation District after the July 9, 2008 meeting and Mr. Largent said that he was happy with the decision the board made on that case.
- I. There was no unfinished business.
- J. Chairman Sanford explained to the board that meeting minutes are not legally binding until they are approved.
 - 1.) The board discussed amending the by-laws to include the following:

Section 2: Meetings
F. Minutes- All meeting minutes shall be approved at the next regular meeting of the Zoning Board of Appeals. If no applications are received prior to the next scheduled regular meeting, a meeting shall be held to approve any minutes of the prior meeting involving a decision on a case.
- Motion by Fitzpatrick supported by Zeits to approve the amendment to the by-laws.
RCV: Yes: Fitzpatrick, Lombard, Mapes, McGee, Zeits and Sanford. No: none.
Motion passed unanimously.
- K. The Zoning Administrator reported that 94 Land Use Permits were issued in 2008,

compared to 162 in 2007. She also reported that the Planning Commission is currently working on the Master Plan and that a new Planning Commission had been established by ordinance, which was required by the Planning and Zoning Enabling Act.

L. The Zoning Administrator stated that budget time will be coming up and asked the board to let her know if they had any issues regarding fees, meeting dates and time, etc.

N. Adjourned at 6:30 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Lynette Ferman
Recording Secretary

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