April 23, 2015

Members Present: Al Stoutenburg, Gary Fetting, Ed Budzinski, Scott Franzel, Dale Schoen and Sheila Coats, also present Zoning Administrator, Richard Honaman.

Members Absent: None (John Bezotte resigned)

Guests: None

Meeting called to order at 6:07 pm by Al Stoutenburg, Chairman. All present rose and recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

Agenda: No additions or corrections to agenda.

*Minutes. Ed Budzinski made a motion to approve the minutes as presented, Gary Fetting supported, minutes approved.

*Continue to work on Master Plan. Add John's resignation to the agenda. Some feel document has drug on for too long. We need to speed up the process or maybe speak to Spicer? It was asked if you should maybe speak to Spicer for a quote on price for them to complete. Some felt this could go on forever, Al Stoutenburg asked for suggestions to start tonight. Scott Franzel felt it was very outdated and needs to be reviewed annually. Discussion on how we want to improve on Master Plan (create new or make revisions to existing). It was decided to look through questionnaire Gary Fetting had provided. More discussion on having Spicer provide us with a quote. Ed Budzinski thinks we can put together our own. Al Stoutenburg asked for a motion to have Spicer do a presentation. Gary Fetting suggested we look after we get internet and we review several township/community Master Plans. Sheila Coats made the motion to have Spicer make a presentation to us on having them do our Master Plan. Scott Franzel seconded. Ed Budzinski suggested we contact the State and get assistance from them. Motion passed.

Next meeting is scheduled for June 18, 2015 at 7:00 pm as it is a regular scheduled meeting. Al asked for any suggestions on someone to take John Bezotte's place by the end of May. We would need to get appointment of replacement to Rich Honaman so Board can approve appointment. Al thought we should send something to John for appreciation for his service to the Township. Bill Dixon is interested in serving on Planning Commission. Rick Pangburn was interested at one point. Mark Batkie was also suggested by Scott.

Al responded to Rich commenting at previous meeting on Rich turning down Leroy Graves request for building in sub-division. Al was speaking about the general consensus that Watertown is hard to work with. He states it is an image that is presented to the general township population. He wanted to clarify the statement.

Motion made to adjourn by Gary Fetting, seconded by Ed Budzinski, motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 7:48 pm.

Respectfully submitted:

Sheila Coats Watertown Township Planning Commission