

Planning Commission Hearing
Recreation Plan Renewal
Blue Lake Township Hall
1491 Owasippe Road
Twin Lake, Mi 49457
December 12, 2011

The Hearing started at 7:43 PM.

Present were: Jim Cordray, Lyle Monette & Norm Swier

Absent: Barb Grob

Guests: Attendees of the regular Blue Lake Township Board Meeting

Agenda for the Hearing was presented as well as the Notice of Hearing and the affidavit of notification letter.

Norm stated the purpose of the hearing was to hear public testimony and comments regarding the renewal of the Recreation Plan and to note input on the Recreation Plan.

The plan was made available to the public. The state requires a new or renewed plan every five years and the Blue Lake Township Plan expires at the end of 2011 with a 3 month grace period into 2012.

The history of the Recreation Plan was noted and that it was established by an advisory committee and the WMSDC. It was then approved by the State of Michigan in February 2007.

Questions for Discussion:

Do the recommended Recreation Plan and its Goals and Objectives represent the desires of township residents regarding recreation opportunities within the township?

What would you like to see done to better utilize recreation opportunities within Blue Lake Township?

Public Comments:

Dale Weisner: Is this a new or renewable plan?

Questioned public use on private property versus public property only. Noted that grants would cover public property only.

Vicki Longnecker: Noted that public property is not National and State property just for our use.

Jim Schlichting read a two page statement about recreational property and recreational use and what should and could be changed.

Planning Member Comments:

Lyle: None

Jim: Noted the differences of private plans and public plans for recreation. The atmosphere is quite different.

Norm: None.

Meeting adjourned at 8:45 PM.

Lyle Monette, Secretary