

FILLMORE TOWNSHIP
ESTABLISHED 1849
ALLEGAN COUNTY

FILLMORE TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION
SEPTEMBER 15, 2008 7PM.

1. **Call to Order.**
Jerome Bush called the meeting to order.
David Brink opened with prayer.
2. **Roll Call.**
Members present: Jerome Bush, David Brink, Chuck Schaap, Fred VanTubergen and Daniel Seymour.
Terry Bouwman, Chad Bouwman, Les Brink, Cal Becksvoot, Kenneth DeWeerd, Township Clerk and Doug DenBleyker, Graafschap Fire Department were also in attendance.
3. **Approval of Planning Commission Minutes from August 18, 2008.**
Motion was brought by Fred VanTubergen 2nd by Chuck Schaap to accept the minutes of the Planning Commission as presented. PASSED 5-0.
4. **D & L Warehouse Site Plan Request.**
Les Brink presented an updated Site Plan for a proposed warehouse adjacent to an existing warehouse at 139th Ave. and Blue Star Hwy.

A copy of e-mail dated September 14, 2008 and sent to the Fillmore Township Office to the attention of the Planning Commission was read for information. The e-mail from the Forstens at 5852 139th Ave. requests an extension of the existing berm southward to buffer the proposed site. Also mentioned were the existence of dust, noise and the glaring of lights from the existing operation.

Along with the Site Plan Mr. Brink presented a letter of approval from the Allegan County Health Department for the proposed sewage system.

Doug DenBleyker of the Graafschap Fire Department was present. He recommended several fire protection plans that should be part of the Site Plan.

Following a time of discussion by the Planning Commission members a motion was brought by Fred VanTubergen and 2nd by Daniel Seymour to allow a foundation permit so construction can begin. PASSED 5-0.

Motion was brought by Chuck Schaap and 2nd by Daniel Seymour to recommend the Fillmore Township Board of Trustees approve the Site Plan as presented with the following additions:

- a. The fire door between the existing and proposed building needs to be activated from either building in the event of a fire.
- b. The fire alarm system must connect to Allegan County Central Dispatch.
- c. An external view of the building.
- d. All parking lots, including the existing lot to be hard surfaced by June 15, 2009.
- e. A document showing approval from the Allegan County Drain Office and the Tulip Inner County Drain Board.
- f. A landscape plan per Township Ordinance showing 1 tree or 4 shrubs per 30 feet in the greenbelt area along Blue Star Hwy and to be replaced if dead.
- g. Lighting not to interfere with neighbors, within reason.

PASSED 5-0.

5. Terry's Precast Site Plan.

Cal Becksvoort representing Latitude Engineering and Surveying of Byron Center presented a Site Plan for a proposed warehouse at 4243 Blue Star Hwy. for Terry's Precast Products.

The proposed building is part of the site along with 2 existing buildings used for storage of precast concrete products.

Following a time of discussion, a motion was brought by Chuck Schaap and 2nd by Daniel Seymour to recommend Site Plan approval as presented with the following additions:

- a. Knox Box for fire protection.
- b. Notation to the Fillmore Township Board of Trustees that if the usage changes in the future a sprinkler system may be necessary.

PASSED 5-0.

6. Public Participation.

Kenneth DeWeerd, Township Clerk thanked the Planning Commission for the service provided in Site Plan Reviews.

7. Next Meeting Date.

The next scheduled meeting of the Planning Commission is November 17, 2008.

Meeting adjourned 8:30PM.

Respectfully Submitted

David Brink, Secretary
Fillmore Township Planning Commission

