

CALEDONIA TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION

2013 ANNUAL REPORT

The following is a summary of the meetings held and issues addressed by the Caledonia Township Planning Commission during the Year 2013:

1. Held 12 regular meetings.
2. Reviewed Section 9.26, Wireless Communication Equipment, to comply with changes required under MCL 124.3514 which were effective May 24, 2012.
3. Finalized revision of the Township Cemetery Ordinance which was published on February 20, 2013.
4. Provided NEMCOG with the zoning district names and uses by district to be incorporated in the revised Zoning Map.
5. Revised the Township Open and Outdoor Burning Ordinance to comply with Public Act 102 of 2012 which identified specific household waste which was effective October 19, 2012. This revised Ordinance will not be published until the Revised Zoning Ordinance has been adopted due to the renamed Zoning Districts.
6. Reviewed Section 3.18.B.3, Recreational Vehicles or Trailers; Table 3.31,B., On-Premise Signs; and Section 3.31.E, Temporary Signs.
7. Reviewed and revised Section 5.10, Schedule of Regulations, regarding side yard minimum for increase in building height at the request of the ZBA.
8. All Planning Commission members attended the NEMCOG/MSU Extension/Great Lakes Restoration Initiative Training held on April 25th and May 2nd.

9. Developed language regarding damaged structures to be incorporated in the revised Zoning Ordinance.
10. Public Hearing was held on July 1st to review the proposed Caledonia Township Zoning Ordinance draft.
11. Reviewed the extensive comments received as a result of the Public Hearing on the proposed Zoning Ordinance draft.
12. The proposed Section 3.15, Sanitary Waste Systems, was provided to the District Health Department No. 2 Sanitarian for review to determine compliance with the Public Health Code.
13. Worked with NEMCOG to clarify the depth of the Commercial District on US-23; and the depth of the R-1 District on Mt. Maria Road and F-41.
14. Vichunas and Waldeck attended the MTA Seminar on “Hot Topics in Planning/Zoning” in Gaylord on August 27th.
15. Began revising the Township Blight Ordinance to incorporate language regarding damaged structures, etc.
16. The Advanced Shoreline Planning and Zoning Workshop sponsored by NEMCOG on December 11th was attended by Waldeck and Vichunas.
17. The Zoning Map provided by NEMCOG was enhanced to provide a much better resolution and to correct some deficiencies.
13. Members attended 3 Tri-Township Planning Commission meetings held April 18th, July 25th and October 24th.
14. Developed the 2014 Meeting Schedule for publication.