

**PRAIRIE TOWNSHIP ZONING COMMISSION
MINUTES OF THE JULY 22, 2003 MEETING
TUESDAY AT 3:00 P.M.**

Members Present: Howard Balzer, Neil Distelhorst, and Hulda Moffitt.

Members Absent: Joyce Benedetto and Glen Hymer.

Others Present: James Strunk, Zoning Inspector

Call to Order: Chairman Howard Balzer called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m.

Meeting Minutes: Moved by Neil Distelhorst, seconded by Howard Balzer, and unanimously approved by the quorum present, that the Minutes of the June 24, 2003 Meeting be accepted as submitted.

Old Business: None

New Business: None

Zoning Office
Comments: Mr. Strunk stated that completing his review of the Zoning Resolution is a high priority task. In order to be able to use the Comprehensive Plan as a guideline for making future decisions about development in the Township, those portions of the Zoning Resolution that are inconsistent with the Plan need to be identified and changed. As long as the current Zoning Resolution remains in effect, the Township is likely to continue to feel pressure from zealous developers, and their astute legal representatives, to make rezoning decisions that are advantageous to them but are often counter to the objectives in the Plan. Significant differences between Resolution and Plan are a source of vulnerability that the Zoning Office is working toward eliminating in a timely manner.

Upon completion of the draft of changes to the Zoning Resolution, it will be submitted to Mr. Donald Brosius, Township Law Director, for Legal Counsel's review and comments, as well as to the Zoning Commission for its consideration.

Next Meeting: The next meeting of the Zoning Commission will be Tuesday, August 26, 2003 at 3:00 p.m.

Adjournment: Howard Balzer adjourned the meeting at 3:30 p.m.

Submitted by: Hulda Moffitt, Clerk

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