

**MINUTES OF THE CLAY TOWNSHIP ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS  
HELD ON THURSDAY, JANUARY 15, 2009 IN THE CLAY TOWNSHIP  
MEETING HALL, 4710 PTE. TREMBLE ROAD, CLAY TOWNSHIP,  
MICHIGAN 48001 AT 7:00 P.M.**

1. **CALL TO ORDER:**

Chairman Anthony Antkowiak called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

2. **ROLL CALL:**

**PRESENT:** John Chamberlain; John Makuch; Brian Treppa; Marianne Diss; Chairman Anthony Antkowiak

A quorum was established.

3. **APPROVAL / AMENDMENTS TO AGENDA:**

None.

4. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF DECEMBER 18, 2008:**

**Motion by Chamberlain, supported by Makuch, to approve the Minutes of December 18, 2008 as submitted.**

**AYES: All                    NAYS: None**

**MOTION CARRIED.**

5. **ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS PREFACE:**

Chairman Antkowiak did not read the Zoning Board of Appeals Preface as there were no variance hearings scheduled before the Board for this meeting.

6. **REPORT OF PLANNING COMMISSION REPRESENTATIVE:**

Antkowiak: Reported that the Planning Commission held a public hearing on January 14, 2009 regarding property on Dyke Road in which the Applicant is requesting a change to light industrial zoning for the property.

7. **OTHER MATTERS TO BE REVIEWED BY THE ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS:**

a. **Correspondence Received:**

None.

b. **Zoning Board of Appeals Members:**

Makuch: Stated that he appreciated everyone coming in at 7:00 p.m. as he requested. He further questioned why any interpretations that have been motioned up and agreed upon have to wait until the next meeting to be approved through the Minutes. He feels once the

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motion passes, they should be able to type something up and submit it to the Planning Commission without having to wait another month for approval through the Minutes.

Antkowiak: Stated that he understood, but that is the way it is. The Planning Commission does the same thing, as well as the Township Board. By approving the Minutes, it makes it official.

Diss: Questioned the status on the issue of membrane shelters.

Antkowiak: Stated Ms. Diss would have to check with Mr. Kras as the issue is between Mr. Kras and Mr. McNamee right now.

Makuch: He feels the Township Board needs to make a number of decisions, including the membrane shelters and blight.

A discussion then occurred amongst ZBA members regarding these issues.

9. **PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

None.

10. **ADJOURNMENT:**

**Motion by Makuch, supported by Chamberlain to adjourn the meeting at 7:10 p.m.**

**AYES: All            NAYS: None**

**MOTION CARRIED.**

Respectfully Submitted,

Christine Holcomb  
Recording Secretary