

Charter Township of Gun Plain
Planning and Zoning Commission
Minutes of July 17, 2013

7:00 p.m.

Members present; Warnement, VanDenBerg, Simons, Vogeler, Vance, Webber
This is a joint meeting with the Board of Trustees and the public

Motion by VanDenBerg 2nd Vogeler to approve the minutes of June 27, 2013 All Approve

Motion by VanDenBerg 2nd Vogeler to approve the Agenda All Approve

Public Comment-no

New Business

Gas and Oil Drilling (fracking)-Liz Kirkwood-FLOW

A power point presentation was given then questions from the public and Board members.

Robert Krause-950 110th-He has concerns with contamination of wells and pollution, hydrologic study of wells, regulations and bonding and asked who Dash Oil is.

Kathryn Welcher-M-89-Her concerns were with contamination, types of chemicals used, property values, and the effects on animals, loss of water and air pollution.

Sherry Moore-6th St.-She suggested that we watch "Gasland" and stated that there are other solutions to the problem.

Don Morris-Anderson St.-His questions and concerns were what will the Oil industry leave behind, liability; will the EPA or neighbors sue a landowner if something happens, and will homeowners insurance be affected?

Judge Cronin-His questions were do they have figures on the value of yield, history of explosions or fires in the wells, how far can drilling can move laterally and the rate of lease purchase.

Lorna Foster-M-89 east-What happens if a neighbor signs and you don't but something happens to your land?

Bill Hale-4th St.-He is opposed

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Pat and Jim Ferguson-6th St-concerned the air quality and the water pulled out.

Amy Hamilton-Miller Rd.-Where is the township at and what about a moratorium?

Brian Winn-Otsego Supervisor-The trucks must have a bill of lading which lists the chemicals it carries.

Don Black-Allegan County Commissioner-He will officially request that the township be notified when permits are issued.

John Stevens-110th Ave-We need to work on environmental regulations.

We asked about any leaking, contamination or bubbling up in our state and it has only occurred in natural pockets of methane.

Old Business

Extreme Clean Car Wash is now open

Truck Wash

There will be a special meeting in August. We will need to look at the Future Land Use and Truck routes along with waste water processing.

Communications-no

Other Business-no

Public Comments-no

Board Comments-In Canon Township what is the cost of a moratorium?

The last meeting with FLOW will be August 21, 2013 at 7:00p.m.

Motion by VanDenBerg 2nd Vogeler to adjourn the meeting. All Approve

Typed & submitted by D. Webber