## CHIPPEWA TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION MINUTES FEBRUARY 14, 2012

<u>ATTENDANCE</u>	<b>ABSENT</b>	<b>STAFF</b>	<u>VISITORS</u>
Denise Zachewicz		Mark Taylor	Amy Dugan
Dave Smilek		Dawna Pella	Seth Shafer
Doug Loughner			Stephan Ault
Larry McCowin			Linda Maga
Mike Arbogast			Victor Maga
Tom Marsilio			Ken Foote
			Colin Monaghan

Chairperson Dave Smilek bright the meeting to order with the Pledge of Allegiance.

## **MINUTES**

Mr. Smilek had the minutes of the January 10, 2012 meeting for review.

\*MR. MARSILIO MOVED TO accept the minutes of the January 10, 2012 meeting as submitted. Seconded by Mr. McCowin and with no further discussion, the motion carried.

## ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

**1. PAPPAN-MORANDO LOT REVISION -** This is property belonging to Joseph and Faith Morando adjacent to property belonging to Demetrios and Karen Pappan located on Post Oak Drive. This revision would provide would provide more property to Mr. Pappan.

Mr. Taylor stated that there were a few comments by Mr. Culler, but they have been addressed.

\*MR. MC COWIN MOVED TO recommend to the Supervisors approval of the Pappan-Morando Lot Revision #1. Seconded by Mr. Arbogast, the motion carried unanimously.

**2. CHESAPEAKE CONDITIONAL USE -** Ms. Amy Dugan was in attendance to explain step by step Chesapeake's proposal by presenting a slide show. She defined the uses for natural gas and how it is more affordable. She displayed a map showing the operating areas of Marcellus Shale which covers 95,000 square miles in West Virginia, Pennsylvania, New York and Ohio. Ms. Dugan, then went on to explain the depth of drilling in these areas and the reason for horizontal drilling and the method of fracturing.

Chesapeake was founded in 1989, their headquarters are in Oklahoma City, but they have regional office in Pennsylvania. They are the number one driller of horizontal wells in the world, that being their expertise.

Mr. Taylor along with other board members had some questions regarding the 24/7 hours of operation, i.e. trucks hauling through the night, noise levels during those hours, concerns for the residences near the site and availability of flagmen to warn motorists of impending work vehicles on the road due to the blind spot there.

Mr. Taylor said that he, along with the Police Department, Fire Department, and Emergency Management Co-Coordinator, would like to be able to tour the site. In case of an emergency they would be able to respond and be familiar with the area instead of going there blindly.

After voicing concerns and asking questions, the Board felt that Chesapeake is willing to work with the Township and there were no conditions that needed to be addressed at this time.

\*MR. DIEHL MOVED TO recommend to the Supervisors approval of the Chesapeake Conditional Use. Seconded by Mr. Marsilio, the motion carried unanimously.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

Mr. Taylor stated that he has received information from the Engineering group who will be constructing the 80-85 room micro hotel located next to the Municipal Building. They are moving forward and would like to begin excavation soon.....they have also been in contact with the Sanitary Authority.

Mr. Taylor also informed the Board that a new retail business is interested in purchasing the existing DeAngelis Donut location. They will demolish the donut shop and construct a new building in a new location on the property. However there are 6 variances they will need to obtain before this can be done. A Zoning Hearing is scheduled for Mar. 1, 2012.

With nothing further to come before the Board, the meeting was	adjourned.
The next meeting will be March 13, 2012.	
Secretary	Chairman