TORCH LAKE TOWNSHIP

ANTRIM COUNTY, MICHIGAN

Approved Minutes Planning Commission Meeting As prepared 6-0 with one abstention.

June 9, 2015

Community Service Building

Torch Lake Township

Present: King, Goossen, Kulka, Walworth, Jorgensen, Juall

Absent: Bretz

Others: Olsen, Vey, Grobbel

Audience: Martel, Windiate, Caleb Eisert – I.T. Right

1. Meeting was called to order at 7:33 p.m.

2. **Consideration of Agenda**:

Motion to approve agenda by Juall, seconded by Jorgensen, passed 6-0

3. **Correspondence, Meetings, Training, Announcements, etc.:**

Walworth read letter from Antrim County Health Department and Watershed Council, regarding ordinance on septic systems at transfer of property ownership, and township oversight. They are assembling a database of septic systems.

Windiate presented recent updates of policies: *Freedom of Information Act*, *Open Meetings Act* and *Document Retention and Records Management*. Also noted that any amendments to Zoning Ordinance, must be filed separately from Ordinance.

Martel outlined new email system. I.T. Right has assigned address to each member of Planning Commission, Zoning Board of Appeals and Township officials. All email and minutes will be automatically archived.

Eisert discussed technical aspects of new system and contact numbers for any required assistance.

4. **Approval of Minutes, May 12, 2015:**

Motion to approve May 12 minutes by Juall, seconded by Goossen, passed 6-0.

5. **Concerns of the Public other than Agenda items:**

 None.

6. **Discussion of Possible Changes in the Commercial District**:

Reference made to Chapter XII, “C” – Commercial Zone, Section 12.02 – Uses:

Permitted Uses:

1. Personal service shops:
	1. Added *tattoo parlors*

q. Added *therapeutic massage*

r. Added *exercise, fitness and yoga*

 2. Grocery stores:

 Move language from Village Business (VB) 10.02 D. to this section.

1. Add *lodges* and *inns*.
2. Move language from Village Business (VB) 10.02 E. to this section.
3. Add . . . *including take out and catering, without drive-through service*.
4. Delete.
5. Delete
6. Add indoor art *and sales,* . . .
7. Add government *and civic* buildings . . .
8. – 24. Need to be updated to reflect amendments of May 2015.

Special Uses:

1. Add Veterinary hospitals *with overnight keeping of animals.*
2. Delete . . . *and take-out.*

8. Add outdoor *storage*, display . . .

9. Change agricultural *products.*

Add 14. Copy and commercial print shops.

 15. Sexually-oriented businesses.

Grobbel will make changes and bring revised copy to July meeting.

7. **Concerns of the Public**:

None.

 8. **Other Concerns of the Planning Commission:**

An inquiry about light manufacturing has been received by the Township. Concerns expressed to avoid mixing with commercial zone. May need to include separate manufacturing zone.

 9. With no further business, meeting was adjourned by Walworth at 9:45.