

Tuesday, October 11, 2016

To: Members of Torch Lake Township's Planning Commission

From: Bob Spencer, 709 NW Torch Lake Drive, Kewadin, MI 49648

Re: Suggested addition to the PC's minutes of the Sept. 13, 2016 meeting

I attended the Planning Commission's meeting of September 13, 2016. During the "Concerns of the Public" portion of the meeting (item 11 on the agenda), I addressed the Planning Commissioners, raising the following questions and related comments, regarding the document entitled "Planner's Report and Findings of Fact" (PC consideration 9/13/16):

1. I asked for clarity about what had just been approved by the Planning Commission regarding A-Ga-Ming's PUD proposals, raising questions and related comments. I asked about why the PC had not gone through the "Findings of Fact" document provided by the Township's Planner, pointing out that at prior Public Hearings, the PC had gone through such documents received from the Planner on an item-by-item basis in establishing "Findings of Fact" after a Public Hearing.
2. I then asked if the "Conditions" listed on page 20 of the Planner's "Finding of Facts" document had also been approved as a part of the Planning Commission's action to approve the applicants PUD proposal. I read condition #2 aloud in its entirety, and pointed out to the PC members that this condition required that an earthen berm "... shall be built prior to the issuance of a PUD permit ..." noting that the berm had not yet been built.
3. In response to my questions and comments, the Chair of the Planning Commission indicated that some clarification of the actions of the PC in response to A-Ga-Ming's PUD proposals would occur.

In reviewing the "Draft" minutes of the September 13, 2016 Planning Commission meeting, I notice that the word "None" is the written response regarding agenda item #11 - "Concerns of the Public," rather than any inclusion of any of my comments that were made during that portion of this meeting.

I request that the minutes of the Planning Commission's September 13, 2016 meeting be corrected to include the questions and comments I made during this portion of the meeting. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

