



## Pocopson Township

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### **Pocopson Township Planning Commission (PC) Meeting 7:30 P.M., Wednesday, December 21, 2011**

**Commissioners Present:** Rob Costello, Suzy Breiseth, Rob Costello, Rob Miller, Steve Simonson, Sean Rafferty, Meg Johnson.

**1. Call to Order and Public Comment:** Summers called the meeting to order at 7:30 P.M. No public comment.

**2. Comprehensive Plan Task Force Appointment Update:** Summers provided a brief description of the role of the Comprehensive Plan Task Force and circulated the names of residents and a core group of Commissioners for appointment by the Board of Supervisors. PC agreed that the Board should appoint a minimum of seven individuals to serve on the Task Force. Secretary is directed to copy and email the Unionville Area Regional Comprehensive Plan for review and informational purposes.

**3. Ordinances/Code Updates:** Summers noted that Township Zoning and Code Enforcement Officer Richard Jensen submitted notes/outline for a proposed grading ordinance. Jensen will be invited to attend the January or February PC meeting. PC directed the Secretary to submit the fence and alternative energy draft ordinances to the Board of Supervisors.

**4. Correspondence and Announcements:** none.

**5. Other Business:** Summers raised concern regarding his recent observation of the water level of Pond 3 at The Preserve noting that the amount of water retained in the pond at this time could be an attractive nuisance for and hazard to children. It is assumed that the pond is in its final state and that the dewatering device is inoperative. Secretary is directed to contact the Township Engineer. This discussion raised awareness of the need to continually monitor the status of stormwater management facilities in accordance with Township Ordinances. Equally important, routine monitoring the state of natural features and resources, by example, hedgerows, is critical for Code compliance. Commissioners agreed that it would be advantageous to educate the community by way of a newsletter article or a seminar on the topic of maintaining natural features and resources to make sure that they are protected.

**6. Approval of November 16, 2011 Meeting Minutes:** Summers moved, Johnson seconded to approve the November 16, 2011 Minutes as corrected; motion unanimously approved.

**7. Adjournment:** At 8:35 P.M. Simonson moved, Breiseth seconded to adjourn; motion unanimously approved.

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Susan Simone, Secretary

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Gary Summers, Chair