

**Williams Township Planning Commission  
Regular Meeting  
April 4, 2016**

The Planning Commission of the Charter Township of Williams held a regular meeting on Monday, April 4, 2016 at the Township Hall.

The agenda is attached Exhibit A.

**I. Call to Order & Roll Call**

D. Behmlander called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Present: D. Behmlander, J. Hurt, T. Paige, A. Torres, R. Tonkavich, and G. Talaga.

Also Present: J. Hammond, Township Attorney. Others present are indicated on the sign in sheet, attached Exhibit B.

**II. Pledge of Allegiance**

The Pledge of Allegiance to the flag was said in unison.

**III. Open to the Public**

No public comment.

**IV. New Business**

**A. Sidewalk Ordinance Discussion**

The Williams Township Board of Trustees recommended that the township discuss adopting an ordinance regarding sidewalk maintenance.

J. Hammond explained that the State of Michigan has an amendment from March of 2012 regarding sidewalk maintenance.

J. Hammond explained that the township can create an ordinance that may contain certain concerns such as specifications of a sidewalk (width), sub-surface specifications, repair and maintenance costs and property owner duties.

A lengthy discussion among planning commissioners was held regarding sidewalk repair and maintenance.

It was discussed whether the township should clean and shovel the sidewalks on main roadways such as Midland Road and Garfield Road.

T. Paige will take all the concerns to the Township Board meeting which will be held on April 12.

**V. Any Other Business**

**A. Election of Officers**

A motion was made by A. Tores and seconded by G. Talaga to elect the current officers.

6 Ayes. 0 Nays. Motion Carried.

**VI. Adjournment**

A motion was made by G. Talaga and seconded by R. Tonkavich to adjourn the meeting at 8:16 p.m.

6 Ayes. 0 Nays. Motion Carried.

Pam Reinhardt  
Williams Township Deputy Clerk