Mr. Delacourt thanked Ms. Brnabic, who was on the Technical Committee. He noted that she had spent an enormous amount of time on the Ordinance through the whole process, and he thought she was one of the few that had read it entirely. He reminded that she looked at it from the Planning Commission's and Zoning Board of Appeals' standpoint.

Mr. Reece asked if the lafrate property was in compliance with the Ordinance requirements. Mr. Anzek said they were slightly not in compliance with some matters. It had been brought to the owner's attention, and there was a pledge on their part to have it resolved by June. There was a requirement about fencing the entire site, but Mr. Anzek stated that the site had never been fenced, with the exception of the street frontage off of Avon Industrial. There was no fencing along the Trail border, but the City would like that to happen if and when they did expand.

Mr. Reece asked if they were required to have screen walls around all the piles. Mr. Anzek advised that the existing Ordinance required it for outdoor storage, but he indicated that it was a unique site. There had been Variances granted since the early 1970s, and it had been difficult to pin down exactly what they were supposed to be doing. There had been some offsite encroachment of some of the piles, and the owners were going to remove those. They were also going to conduct a survey to determine the property lines, and the City would work with them to catch up with the Ordinance.

Mr. Reece said that it seemed almost impractical to have fences around the storage piles because they would not be able to get to them. Mr. Anzek added that an eight-foot fence around a 40-foot pile was rather ineffective. The new standards were written to protect the City to make sure there was not another use like it somewhere else in the City. Mr. Reece noted that it could be seen pretty predominately from M-59 in the wintertime, and he did not see screening around the piles.

This matter was Discussed

ANY OTHER BUSINESS

2009-0072

Appointment of Planning Commission Representative to the Zoning Board of Appeals for a one-year term to expire March 31, 2010.

Chairperson Boswell read the agenda item, and noted that the Planning Commission Representative had been Ms. Brnabic for the last couple of years. Mr. Schroeder asked if anyone else was interested in being on the Zoning Board of Appeals, and hearing no one, he moved the following motion:

MOTION by Schroeder, seconded by Yukon, the Planning Commission of the City of Rochester Hills hereby recommends to City Council that Deborah Brnabic shall serve as its representative on the Zoning Board of Appeals for a one-year term to expire March 31, 2010.

A motion was made by Schroeder, seconded by Yukon, that this matter be Recommended for Approvalto the City Council Regular Meeting. The motion CARRIED by the following vote:

Aye 7 - Boswell, Brnabic, Dettloff, Klomp, Reece, Schroeder and Yukon

Absent 2 - Hooper and Kaltsounis

Chairperson Boswell stated for the record that the motion had passed unanimously.

NEXT MEETING DATE

The Chair reminded the Commission that the next Regular Meeting was scheduled for March 17, 2009.

ADJOURNMENT

Hearing no further business to come before the Commission, the Chair adjourned the Regular Meeting at 8:05 p.m., Michigan time.

William F. Boswell, Chairperson
Rochester Hills Planning Commission

Maureen Gentry, Recording Secretary