

**Vergennes Township
Planning Commission Minutes
November 19, 2001**

A special meeting of the Vergennes Township Planning Commission was held on November 19, 2001 at the Township Offices. Chairman Nauta called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm. Also present were Commissioners Alger, Jernberg, Medendorp, Read and Richmond. Absent was Gillett.

Approval of November 5 minutes: Motion to approve by Richmond, seconded by Jernberg. All approved.

Approval of Agenda: Motion to approve as presented by Jernberg, seconded by Medendorp. All Approved.

Old Business: Citation ITM Corp – Special Use Permit Modification

Presentation by representative Paul Vandawater: The company just received some contracts that will result in the need for a larger compressor. The compressor will not fit into the current compressor room. The wall will need to be expanded by about 4' 8" by 10' to accommodate the new compressor. The construction will need to begin as soon as possible before cold weather and to complete the contract obligations.

Open public hearing at 6:03 pm. Two letters were received in favor of the expansion. Gaylord Heaston of 651 Birchwood Ct Lowell stated that the company has been a sleeping bear, quiet, with some truck traffic. Questions if the new compressor will have more noise than currently exists? Vandawater stated that the building is insulated, and the compressor room will have batt insulation between the outside wall and the interior wall. The new compressor is a quieter model, even though larger, so should not result in any more noise than currently exists. Upon hearing these answers, Heaston stated that he does not have any objection. The public hearing was closed at 6:07 pm.

Discussion by Planning Commission followed. Jernberg stated that as long as there is not more noise, he thinks it is a good project for the community and has no problem with it. Richmond and Read also stated that they had no problems with the expansion. Jernberg motioned and Alger seconded to recommend to the Township Board approval of the modification to the current special use permit for ITM Corp to expand the rear of the building as presented with the building expansion to be insulated to not exceed the current noise level and not disturb the existing surrounding community. All in favor, passed 6-0.

Motion to adjourn by Jernberg, seconded by Alger. All approved. Meeting adjourned at 6:10 pm.

Next meeting/workshop on November 26, 7:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted - Jeanne Vandersloot, Recorder