

**OVID TOWNSHIP**  
**BRANCH COUNTY, MICHIGAN**  
**JULY 7, 2015**  
**PLANNING COMMISSION**  
**PUBLIC HEARING**

The Ovid Township Planning Commission convened for a Public Hearing to hear a request from David Cleveland of DMCI Broadband LLC of Hillsdale, Michigan.

Members Present: Andy AcMoody, Sean Groves, Chris Donbrock, Ron Sampsel and Cheryl Downs.

Others Present: Russ Jennings, Toby Matthias, Rhonda Stuckey and Terry Steele.

Mr. Cleveland is requesting a Special Use Permit to construct a 180 ft. guyed tower at 103 E. Central Road, property owned by Clarence and Esther Franks. The property is zoned AG. There is no livestock on this property, no propane tanks and the power lines are on the other side of the road not close to the placement of the tower. The company already operates internet service from a 105 ft. grain leg on the property but needs to increase the height. The grain leg is not engineered to handle the wind load of the additional equipment needed.

This tower would be a link between their Bronson and Reading towers. The cost of this tower is \$42,000. It would bring high speed internet to this area.

The placement of the tower would be 267 ft. from the residence, there are out buildings closer to the tower placement than the house. The tower needs to be this height to clear a ridge and 70ft trees. According to the table in the Zoning Ordinance page 15-43 since it is in Non-residentially zoned land, the minimum set back is 110% of the height of the tower from any adjoining lot line.

Discussion took place. Meeting Closed.