

2015 Minutes of Ellsworth Zoning Meeting
Work Session – December 01, 2015

2015-020

On Tuesday, December 01, 2015, the Ellsworth Township Zoning Commission work session began at 6:00M at the Fire Hall.

Vice Chair Jim Tripp opened the meeting leading with the Pledge of Allegiance followed by a moment of silence for those serving our country past and present.

Members present were Vice Chair Jim Tripp, Janine Goddard, Sean Giblin and Alternate Dan Stout. Excused is Chair Fred Schrock and Frank Marra.

Two (2) guests were present – Dee Tripp and Lee Sandstrom; also Inspector Wayne Sarna, off and on.

Alternate Dan Stout filled in for Frank Marra tonight.

Jim Tripp is acting Chair for tonight's meeting. His agenda for tonight are the changes / correction on the draft completed by Consultant George Smerigan. Also we will go over the email submitted by Lee Sandstrom.

Going over the changes & corrections done by George Smerigan, it was noted that page 1-2 was not sent to the commission via email.

- Corrections on this page could not be verified.
- Page 6-4, there is still a question on the 75ft vs the 50ft.
- Page 7-6, page number needs eliminated, add "see section 606".
- Page 14-2, change section 1402 to 1502.

Sean Giblin requested that we should have an updated copy of the draft at each meeting so everyone is on the same page.

Jim Tripp read the email from Chair Fred Schrock stating Fred's position on Lee's suggested changes.

Jim Tripp read parts of Chapter 11 – Section 1101 in regards to conditional use in our resolution.

Lee Sandstrom brought up points on how Canfield Township has handled conditional uses for districts. Canfield put together a new resolution which was finalized and adopted in November 2015.

Lee Sandstrom feels that we have too many conditional uses that should be designated as permitted uses. He feels that an individual should not have to pay fees for the Board of Appeals to make the decision on whether permitted or not.

Much discussion followed on conditional uses and procedures. The commission went through the matrix and revisited the conditional uses in Business and Industrial section, changing the conditional to permitted as it seemed fit.

Janine Goddard made a motion to adjourn at 8:20PM; seconded by Dan Stout.

Roll call: Sean Giblin – yes; Dan Stout – yes; Jim Tripp – yes; Janine Goddard – yes.
Motion carried.

Janine Goddard
Secretary