

2015 Minutes of Ellsworth Zoning Meeting
Regular Meeting – September 08, 2015

2015-015

On Tuesday, September 08, 2015, the Ellsworth Township Zoning Commission regular meeting began at 6:00PM at the Fire Hall.

Chairman Fred Schrock 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 Chairman Fred Schrock, Vice Chairman Jim Tripp, Janine Goddard, and Alternate Sean Giblin. Absent is Frank Marra – excused.

Two (2) guests were present plus Inspector Wayne Sarna (off and on).

On October 13, 2015 will be the regular meeting, at the Fire hall at 6:00PM.

Chairman Fred Schrock said on tonight’s agenda there may be a possible proposal to go over for a new building permit. The individuals were not present at the moment.

Motion was made by Janine Goddard to approve August 11, 2015 minutes, seconded by Sean Giblin. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Sean Giblin to approve September 01, 2015 minutes as amended, seconded by Janine Goddard. Motion carried.

Jim Tripp went over signs and found another area that needed eliminated in Section 9-3H.

Fred Schrock reiterated what he had said at the previous meeting; that on August 25, 2015 he presented the Ellsworth Land Use map and Concept for Growth – Goals and Objectives to Mahoning County Planning Commission for the county’s 2016 map and file.

Fred said that the party still has not arrived to present their proposal. In anticipation, the commission went over Section 14 (XIV) of the current Zoning Ordinance to see if the proposed new construction would conform to our zoning. The anticipated party wants to add a storage building (garage) to their property. Then the current house will be torn down. They are asking for the commission’s input on this.

The Commission discussed PUD’s and accessory buildings. We compared the current Zoning Resolution with the proposed Zoning Resolution draft. We have some questions for our consultant, George Smerigan, on Section 803 in the proposed draft regarding the wording “in whole or in part” in regards to accessory buildings. And also “structure vs dwelling”.

In the new draft it was agreed upon to remove the wording “Industrial” on page 7-3 – Industrial Uses.

Bob and Cathy Harter originally from Stow, Ohio and currently home owner at Diehl Lake for the past 10 years arrived to present their proposal. They currently have a small cottage at Diehl Lake and want to sell their home in Stow, Ohio and build on Ellsworth. They would like to start by building a three bay garage with a dormer, a bathroom and a second floor. The cottage will stay as is for a couple of years. They want to eliminate the current driveway for the garage and move it to a different location. Their builder, Larry Hrovatic, shared the plans with the commission members. The building will be 15ft x 26ft. The building has been already approved by the Diehl Lake Association.

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The material presented seems to conform to our current Zoning Ordinance. Once a copy of verification from Diehl Lake Association confirming their approval is received; the consensus of the commission is to vote for recommendation of approval.

Roll call vote:

Jim Tripp – yes; Sean Giblin – yes; Fred Schrock – yes; Janine Goddard – yes.

Jim Tripp made a motion at 8:35PM to adjourn; seconded by Sean Giblin. Roll call vote – Jim Tripp – yes; Sean Giblin – yes; Fred Schrock – yes; Janine Goddard – yes. Motion carried.

Janine Goddard
Secretary