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**2015 Minutes of Ellsworth Zoning Meeting**  
**Regular Meeting – February 10, 2015**

On Tuesday, February 10, 2015, the Ellsworth Township Zoning Commission regular meeting began at 6:05PM at the Fire Hall.

Chairman Fred Schrock opened the meeting leading with the Pledge of Allegiance followed by a moment of silence for our service personnel.

Members present were Chairman Fred Schrock, Janine Goddard, Jim Tripp and Alternate Ron Niemiec who filled in for Frank Marra. Absent was Frank Marra; excused.

Two (2) guests were present; Jim DeCenso & Lee Sandstrom. Also present is Inspector Wayne Sarna (off and on).

Tonight's meeting is being recorded.

Fred Schrock let the commission know that Inspector Wayne Sarna will be coming in off and on as needed.

Motion was made by Ron Niemiec to approve the January 13, 2015 minutes (which were previously read by the commission members) and seconded by Jim Tripp; Motion carried.

Motion was made by Ron Niemiec to approve the February 03, 2015 minutes (which were previously read by the commission members) as amended and seconded Jim Tripp; motion carried.

Agenda for tonight is to review the resolution draft which was submitted as final form. And also we will be looking at the latest modifications that Inspector Wayne Sarna has done (if any) on the official zoning map, the one that we want to see officially documented and signed by the trustees. Also to see if he did any changes to the proposed map that is to be submitted with the resolution draft.

The Land Use and Policy Plan is now in the hands of the Trustees; not sure what they are doing with it at the moment.

Concerning the resolution draft, the commission went over some minor corrections that still needed to be done. And also went over the last changes that Consultant George Smerigan did in the latest draft. Everyone was satisfied.

Modular homes were discussed. It is in the definitions, so the commission felt that it should also be in the resolution. It was the consensus of the commission to add Modular Home to the matrix on page 6-2 under Residential in the resolution; and permitted in all districts.

Mobile homes were discussed. A resident would have to go through the Board of Appeals to request using a mobile home in an emergency situation due to the rebuilding of their home. For this reason, mobile homes were not put in the zoning resolution.

Inspector Wayne Sarna mentioned that he would be meeting with the Ellsworth Sportsman Club on Palmyra Rd and the one property owner on Tuesday at 6PM to discuss shooting.

Fred Schrock asked Wayne Sarna if there were any updates on the official zoning map. Wayne said the only issues are the Buckeye Horse Park; Water Reservoir District and the Cemetery, getting the color changed to Agriculture. Wayne will present this to the Trustees at Wednesday's trustees meeting. The commission agrees that we also recommend they be shown as Agricultural District. Fred will put this on his agenda also to let the trustees know our recommendation on this.

**NEW BUSINESS**

Fred Schrock said that he would be attending the Trustee's meeting on Wednesday; he asked to be put on the agenda under new business. The trustees will be considering the appointments

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for zoning commission and the board of appeals. The trustees also asked that Fred Schrock give them updates on the zoning resolution and the map. Fred Schrock will also present the proposal from George Smerigan for additional money (\$3000) for consultant fees.

Fred Schrock also mentioned that Dana at the Mahoning County Planning Commission has the responsibility of setting up meetings to go over all LUP's in the county starting in March 2015 on Thursdays. Fred set up March 19, 2015 for the planning commission to go over Ellsworth Township's LUP. It will be between 10am – 2pm. Fred will have a better time as it gets closer.

**OLD BUSINESS** - none.

Our next meetings will be March 03 (work session) and March 10 (regular meeting). Fred Schrock asked to be excused from both meetings, he will be on vacation.

Since our work is near completion on the Zoning Resolution, Janine Goddard made a motion to eliminate the March 03, 2015 workshop; seconded by Ron Niemiec. Motion carried.

Janine Goddard asked if the proposed Zoning Resolution was okay to put on the Ellsworth website so we can start getting it out to the public. The consensus was we were good to go.

Motion is made to adjourn at 7:20PM by Ron Niemiec; seconded by Janine Goddard. Motion carried.

Janine Goddard  
Secretary