

ELLSWORTH TOWNSHIP ZONING BOARD
RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

2016-007

Minutes of *Ellsworth Zoning Commission*
PUBLIC HEARING
Held *May 07, 2016*

On Tuesday, May 07, 2016, the Ellsworth Township Zoning Commission's public hearing began at 10:05AM at the Fire Hall and is continued from May 03, 2016.

Chair 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. Fred noted that one Navy Seal was killed this past week.

Members present were Chair Fred Schrock, Vice Chair Sean Giblin, Jim Tripp, Janine Goddard and Alternate Jim Mayberry. Dan Stout was excused on medical leave; Jim Mayberry takes his place as regular member.

Three (3) guests were present – Dee Tripp, Trustee Bob Toman and Trustee Artie Spellman. Consultant George Smerigan was also present.

Chair Fred Schrock commended all the past and present members of the commission who worked on the proposed zoning resolution. Past members included Frank Marra, Ron Niemiec, Wayne Sarna, Ishraq Hafiz, Sandi Bates, MaryAnn Stack, Laura Lyden, Brian Benyo, and Brian Snyder.

Fred Schrock said that the procedure as outlined in the Ohio Revised Code (O.R.C.) 519.12 has been followed.

Janine Goddard read the legal notice as it appeared in the Vindicator on April 23, 2016.

Fred Schrock said that about the main thing that changed in the resolution was the format.

Janine Goddard read the letter from Mahoning County Planning Commission (MCPC) with its recommendation. On April 26, 2016 MCPC recommended approval (of the zoning resolution).

Fred Schrock went over the procedure for the public to speak. He also stated that tonight's meeting is a continuation of the May 03, 2016 meeting.

Fred Schrock then asked those attending if there were any questions or concerns that they would like addressed. NONE.

Janine Goddard made a motion to close the hearing for Zone change request for A-2016-01; seconded by Jim Mayberry. Roll call: Sean Giblin – yes; Janine Goddard – yes; Fred Schrock – yes; Jim Mayberry – yes; Jim Tripp – yes. Motion carried.

Fred Schrock said that the hearing is formally closed and reiterated that we have done everything properly according to O.R.C.

Fred Schrock said that our next meeting will be Tuesday, May 10, 2016 at 6:00PM where we will act on this officially. George Smerigan will not be at our next meeting. Fred thanked George for coming and his commitment to us. It will be up to the trustees on whether George will attend their public hearings.

Fred Schrock asked one more time if there were any comments or questions from the public.

Trustee Artie Spellman said that he watched the procedure for the past 13 years and thanked the commission and George for their work. Said that we should get the wrinkles out sooner, not waiting for 15 or so years go by for updating. He said some areas in the proposed zoning resolution may need a little tweaking. Artie also suggested maybe putting in a page with 'Frequently Asked Questions' with answers into the book, which the commission was in agreement with.

Trustee Bob Toman also wanted to thank the current and past commission members for all the work done. And he also thanked George Smerigan.

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Fred Schrock thanked the trustees for their cooperation and support. And we will continue to work together, that this is an ongoing process.

Jim Tripp made the comment that he hopes we gave our zoning inspector something that he can use when he has to make a decision.

Jim Mayberry made a motion to adjourn at 10:18AM; seconded by Jim Tripp. Roll call: Sean Giblin – yes; Janine Goddard – yes; Fred Schrock – yes; Jim Mayberry – yes; Jim Tripp – yes. Motion carried.

Janine Goddard
Secretary