

2014 Minutes of Ellsworth Zoning Meeting

Apr 10, 2014



On Thursday, April 10, 2014 the Ellsworth Township Zoning Commission Regular meeting began at 6:10PM at the Town Hall.

Chairman Fred Schrock opened the meeting leading with the Pledge of Allegiance followed by a moment of silence for our service personnel and all the situations that are going on right now around the world.

Members present were Chairman Fred Schrock, Ishraq Hafiz, Janine Goddard, Jim Tripp, Frank Marra and Alternate Ron Niemiec.

One (1) guest was present – Dee Tripp.

March 13, 2014 minutes were read by Secretary Janine Goddard.

Ishraq Hafiz explained why it was so important to receive a survey with the zone application. And Jim Tripp asked that sewer be added to remarks that he made referring to Trustee Artie Spellman's remarks. Motion to approve with additions and correction was made by Ishraq Hafiz, seconded by Frank Marra. Motion carried.

April 03, 2014 minutes were read. There was a question in regards to the land reverting back to original zoning due to a two year abandonment. Ishraq Hafiz made motion to table approving the minutes until we get a better understanding from our consultant George Smerigan. Motion was seconded by Jim Tripp. Also amended April 03, 2014 minutes to include remarks by Trustee Artie Spellman about his Vision for Ellsworth Township, that he wants to see it as a safe and great place to live. Would like to see Medical Offices such as Dentists, Doctors, etc and senior housing. Would like revitalization to eliminate blight. And add Trustee Bob Toman's remark that he would like it indicated where we would like to have sewer lines located in the LAND USE PLAN. The plan should be pro-active.

It was mentioned that maybe we should address "port-a-potties" in our Zoning Resolution, especially in regards to businesses.

Fred Schrock asked everyone's thoughts on how the workshop ended and how we how thought things went.

Fred Schrock said that Trustee Artie Spellman would like to get a public mailing out ASAP regarding the LAND USE PLAN. Ishraq Hafiz replied that it requires three formal readings to finalize a new resolution and we could use one of those readings to invite the public via the public mailing.

Fred Schrock backed up and read the April 9, 2014 Trustee minutes. It stated that Ron Niemiec has been appointed as our new Alternate member to the Zoning Commission. We welcomed Ron Niemiec to the Ellsworth Zoning Commission.

Also in the Trustee's minutes it stated that Trustee Artie Spellman read Fred's letter requesting approval to spend the money to do the USPS mailing. They approved \$750.00 for printing and mailing.

Jim Tripp questioned about the last workshop, why when someone asked about PUD, why was he told that we were getting off course from LAND USE PLAN discussion. Fred Schrock told Jim Tripp that he wanted details about PUD's and that the purpose of the meeting was to discuss a visions for the LAND USE PLAN's

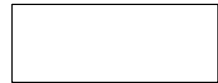
OLD BUSINESS

Fred Schrock asked if a follow-up letter was sent out to the prosecutor's office in regards to James McDonald and Janine Goddard said it was and read the letter to the commission.

Janine Goddard told the commission that the Mahoning Planning Commission has set a hearing date of April 22, 2014 at 1:00 PM for the Richard Gordon zone change request. At which time Fred Schrock set our public hearing for May 08, 2014 at 6:00 PM.

It was asked what has been accomplished on checking the zoning maps in regards to changes / corrections, and were told that it is a work in progress. We also need to check the replat maps in the zoning inspector's office, so we can also verify the replats. There also should be a copy of the replat map for the Basista property with all zone replats.

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Ishraq Hafiz commented that she wants to add that a zone change request must include a survey. Fred Schrock said why have an individual incur additional costs to have a survey if the county has a legal description and Ishraq Hafiz said even if it is an old, the last legal survey as long as there has not been any property changes. She also said that Ellsworth Township has the lowest cost for zone changes – that we can expect to be as accurate as possible.

NEW BUSINESS

Fred Schrock read the invoices from George Smerigan. They included November 13, 2014 thru May 06, 2014 and totaled \$4250.00

Jim Tripp passed out a new updated list of questions and additions to be discussed at the next workshop.

Next work session will be May 01, 2014 at 6pm at the Town Hall and May 08, 2014 at 6pm is set for the Richard Gordon zone change 14-ZC001 hearing at the Town Hall.

Motion made to adjourn at 8:15PM by Ishraq Hafiz, seconded by Jim Tripp. Motion carried.

Janine Goddard
Secretary