

ELLSWORTH TOWNSHIP ZONING COMMISSION

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

Minutes of Regular Meeting – November 9, 2021

The meeting opened at 6:00 pm with the Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of silence for those serving and those who have served.

Roll call was taken to establish a quorum. Members present: Sean Giblin, Chair; Jim Mayberry, Vice Chair, Dan Stout, Member, Pete Rich, Member and Dee Tripp, Secretary. Roni Massullo was absent.

Pete Rich made a motion to accept the minutes from the 10/12/21 meeting, as submitted; seconded by Dan Stout. Roll call vote was unanimous to accept the minutes as submitted.

Zoning Inspector's Report

Wayne Sarna reported the following:

Prosecutor's office is still working on the removal of the structures at 10610 W. Akron Canfield Road (Kostoglou) and 11971 N. Palmyra Road (estate of Miller).

Issued a permit for a business sign at 10875 Akron Canfield Road; property is zoned business; leasee is going to set up undercoating operation.

The bank refused a loan application from property owner, Tibbits, for the parcel at 383 Gault Road because the parcel is zoned business and not residential. Wayne sent a letter to the bank pointing out that this is incorrect and the property really is residential.

Received a letter from the Prosecutor's office in response to Wayne's question regarding the obscenity sign painted on the side of a shed on Palmyra. The letter stated that obscenity is permitted under the First Amendment as freedom of speech.

Attorney Finamore is handling the required procedures to affect the demolition of the property at Elk Road (McCourt).

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Prosecutor's office working on junk-filled property at 11912 Akron Canfield Road (Ripley).

Received a complaint that a property owner at Diehl Lake is building a deck without a permit.

Received a complaint that the new sign put up at Battista Granite Countertops on Route 224 is in violation of an old agreement made between the Ellsworth BZA and Battista that any sign would include the name, "Ellsworth, OH". Wayne is checking further.

Dee showed pictures of a very large recreational trailer parked in the driveway at 10749 N. Palmyra Road (Cunningham) and it looks like someone may be living in this trailer. Plus, a shed was built in the front yard. This property owner has several zoning violations. Wayne will send a letter.

There was discussion on the old Pellin property. Several cars are parked there during the day and are gone at night; there's a red mustang that doesn't have plates, and there's a gas tank in the front yard. Wayne will check into this.

Old Business

The Commission resumed review of possible changes to the 2016 Zoning Resolution.

Jim Mayberry made a motion to adjourn; seconded by Dan Stout. Roll call vote was unanimous to adjourn. Meeting adjourned 7:00 pm.

Dolores Tripp, Secretary