

ELLSWORTH TOWNSHIP ZONING COMMISSION  
RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

Minutes of Regular Meeting – June 12, 2018

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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.

Sean introduced our guest speaker, Ryan Tekac, Director, Environmental Health, Mahoning County Department of Health. Ryan gave a presentation regarding the overall responsibilities of his department. One of the many services available is testing well water which he recommended be done annually. He also discussed the new Operating & Maintenance Program for septic systems. This program was implemented by the State in 2015. Mahoning County is currently planning the administration procedures for the 16,000 systems in our county. Public meetings will be scheduled the end of 2018 to kick off the program in Mahoning County. The new program will require everyone to have their systems inspected, and if they pass, the homeowner will obtain an operating permit for \$30. If they don't pass inspection but can be repaired, the homeowner pays for the repairs. If the system cannot be repaired, it can cost nearly \$20,000 to be replaced.

Roll call was taken to establish a quorum for the regular meeting. Members present: Sean Giblin, Chair; Jim Mayberry, Vice Chair; Pete Rich, Member; Clint Whitehair, Alternate and Dee Tripp, Secretary. Dan Stout is an excused absence. Also present was Wayne Sarna, Zoning Inspector.

Jim Mayberry made a motion to accept the May 8, 2018 minutes as submitted. Clint Whitehair seconded the motion. Roll call vote: Sean Giblin-yes; Jim Mayberry-yes; Pete Rich-yes; Clint Whitehair-yes; Dee Tripp-yes.

**ZONING INSPECTOR**

Wayne Sarna reported that on 6/7/18, Mark Robertson filed an application for a variance to live in a trailer while his primary residence is being built on Gault Road. The BZA will schedule a hearing date.

He received a complaint regarding shooting on Bailey Road. The individual is conducting CCW classes on a Residential property.

Also received a complaint regarding tall grass on the West Hill property.

**OLD BUSINESS**

Dee Tripp reported that a letter was sent to Mr. & Mrs. Williams at Diehl Lake inviting them to attend tonight's meeting to answer questions regarding their request to combine 3 lots into 1. Following are the answers to questions that were presented: The reason for this request is to put an addition on their home to accommodate a new laundry room measuring 8 x 17; there are no plans for any further projects at this time; the newly combined lot would equal a little over one acre; this is not the largest lot at Diehl Lake; they are not aware of any adverse impact on the other residents; their immediate neighbor (Hood) has no problem with this change; the DL board approved the replat on 3/28/18; the DL board also approved the addition of the laundry room on 5/3/18. Jim Mayberry made a motion to recommend approval of the replat and the addition; Sean Giblin seconded the motion. Roll call vote: Sean Giblin-yes; Jim Mayberry-yes; Pete Rich-yes; Clint Whitehair-yes; Dee Tripp-yes.

Sean reported that as a result of their discussion with Brad Grace and Ron Neimec, Diehl Lake agreed to resume using their former project form. When a project is approved, the completed form will be emailed to the Ellsworth Zoning Inspector along with any attachments and drawings.

Ron Neimec pointed out that previous months' minutes were incorrect on two issues. (1) The Diehl Lake Board meetings are not closed; they are open and are scheduled 4 times a year. (2) Brad Grace is sometimes unable to attend meetings because his work requires him to travel and he's gone for several weeks at a time and therefore not available.

Clint Whitehair made a motion to adjourn. Jim Mayberry seconded the motion. Roll call vote: Sean Giblin-yes; Jim Mayberry-yes; Pete Rich-yes; Clint Whitehair-yes; Dee Tripp-yes. Meeting adjourned 8:05 pm.

Dee Tripp  
Secretary