

2016 Minutes of Ellsworth Zoning Meeting
Regular Meeting – January 12, 2016

2016-001

On Tuesday, January 12, 2016, the Ellsworth Township Zoning Commission regular meeting began at 6:12 PM at the Fire Hall.

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. He reminded everyone of the boat intercept by the Iranian military with 10 US soldiers aboard.

Members present were Chair Fred Schrock, Vice Chair Jim Tripp, Sean Giblin and Janine Goddard. Alternate Dan Stout is excused from tonight's meeting.

Four (4) guests were present – Dee Tripp, Lee Sandstrom, Bob Toman and Tom Doland; also Inspector Wayne Sarna, off and on.

Reorganization meeting preceded tonight's business meeting.

Jim Tripp nominated Fred Schrock as Chair, seconded by Sean Giblin. There were no more nominations. Fred Schrock accepted position. Roll call – Jim Tripp – yes; Sean Giblin – yes; Janine Goddard – yes; Fred Schrock – yes.

Jim Tripp nominated Sean Giblin for Vice Chair; seconded by Janine Goddard. There were no more nominations. Sean Giblin accepted position. Roll call – Jim Tripp – yes; Fred Schrock – yes; Janine Goddard – yes; Sean Giblin – yes.

Jim Tripp nominated Janine Goddard for secretary; seconded by Sean Giblin. There were no more nominations. Janine Goddard accepted position. Roll call – Jim Tripp – yes; Sean Giblin – yes; Fred Schrock – yes; Janine Goddard – yes.

Motion is made by Janine Goddard to meet the first Tuesday of each month for a work session and on the second Tuesday for regular meetings at 6:00PM at the Fire Hall, unless dates fall on special occasions; dates would then be adjusted; seconded by Sean Giblin. Roll call – Jim Tripp – yes; Sean Giblin – yes; Fred Schrock – yes; Janine Goddard – yes. Motion carried.

Bob Toman said that the trustees have agreed at their meeting that a voice recorder can be used for minutes and only needs to be retained for 30 days.

Minutes are to be forwarded to the trustees once approved; and also incorporate the terms "excused" or "unexcused" when a commission member is absent from a meeting.

To be noted that with three (3) unexcused meetings, a commission member is subject to be replaced.

Also noted is pay per meeting is as follows:

\$50 Chair; \$95 Regular meeting/\$35 Work Session – Secretary; \$35 all others per meeting.

Motion to adjourn reorganization meeting is made by Janine Goddard; seconded by Sean Giblin. Roll call – Jim Tripp – yes; Sean Giblin – yes; Fred Schrock – yes; Janine Goddard – yes. Motion carried.

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Regular meeting is called to order at 6:28 PM.

Tom Doland is attending tonight's meeting to see what a commission member does and what zoning is all about. He is interested in applying for the vacant position.

Motion is made by Jim Tripp to approve December 08, 2015 minutes; seconded by Sean Giblin. Roll call – Jim Tripp – yes; Sean Giblin – yes; Fred Schrock – yes; Janine Goddard – yes. Motion carried.

Fred Schrock wants the trustees to consider paying the secretary \$95 per (all) meeting and asked Trustee Bob Toman to bring it up at the trustee's meeting.

Consultant George Smerigan sent a new invoice in the amount of \$600.00 for work done through January 07, 2016 on the township's Zoning Resolution draft. Sean Giblin brought up again that he feels that the invoice should be more descriptive.

OLD BUSINESS – None.

NEW BUSINESS

The commission is still working on the Zoning Resolution draft. Fred Schrock wants to see it completed this year.

With the approval of Chairman Schrock and the Trustees, Jim Tripp contacted Attorney Finamore regarding Diehl Lake PUD – wanting to know who takes precedent on who overrides who on PUD'S - Diehl Lake or the township.

Jim Tripp wants to make sure there is wording in the new Zoning Resolution to protect the landowner on District changes; so they would be able to continue to use their land as they previously did before the District change.

Inspector Wayne Sarna was asked if there were any updates on the Harter building – none.

The commission needs to make sure the proposed zoning map conforms to our districts listed in the new Zoning Resolution draft.

Need to be submitted along with the Zoning Resolution draft is:

- Current Zoning Map
- Current Land Use Map
- Proposed Zoning Map

Fred Schrock will contact the GIS department and have them print copies of the proposed zoning map that conform to our proposed zoning resolution.

Inspector Wayne Sarna will try to have the Land Use map back from the Mahoning Planning Commission for Feb 9th meeting.

There will not be a work session February 2; our next meeting will be February 09, 2016.

The commission worked on a few corrections to the Zoning Resolution draft.

Lee Sandstrom of Canfield discussed other township's Zoning Resolutions vs Ellsworth's Resolution. Mainly he brought up the table of contents and indexes. Also felt that the definitions should be in the front of the book.

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Wayne Sarna said to add section numbers in the table of contents, plus an index in the back of the book. This would make finding things much easier.

Consensus of the commission is to add sections to the table of contents as presented by Lee Sandstrom and also an index.

Fred Schrock thanked Tom Doland for being here tonight.

Sean Giblin made a motion to adjourn at 7:30PM; seconded by Jim Tripp.

Roll call: Jim Tripp – yes; Sean Giblin – yes; Fred Schrock – yes; Janine Goddard – yes.

Motion carried.

Janine Goddard
Secretary