

**Minutes of Zoning Resolution Review
Liberty Township, Licking County, Ohio
January 20, 2020**

- The zoning resolution review meeting held on January 20, 2020 was called to order by Bill Bogantz at 6:30 p.m. He stated the meeting was being recorded and lead the Pledge of Allegiance.
- Roll call was taken for the trustees and the following answering as present: Bill Siegel, Bill Bogantz, and Dave Cole.
- Roll call was taken for the zoning commission and the following answered present: Alan Huet, Charles Walker, Sarah Sparhawk, Fred Schwarz, and Jackie Siegel. Not present: Rob Broehl (1st Alternate).

- Bill Bogantz stated the purpose of the meeting was to kickoff the discussions on updating the zoning resolution but that no zoning decisions would be made at the meeting.

- Everyone in attendance was asked to introduce themselves and state their zoning experience. This included the trustees, zoning clerk, zoning commission and zoning appeals board (those present were Dale McCombs, Larry Riffe, and Max Kackstetter), and Doug Conner.

- Doug Conner, Paralegal/Township Liaison from Licking County Prosecutor's Office, was then introduced and he discussed forming a committee to look into making updates and how to get community input. He pointed out that Article 6 of the Zoning Resolution gives details on how this is to be done.

- Bill Bogantz then gave background on why we are meeting. We are not being sued and don't have complaints, but want to get the committees together since they have not been meeting. We need to start collecting data on inconsistencies and gaps in the resolution. Bill Bogantz has set up a spreadsheet to track these issues. He asks that all such data be entered there for everyone to see so it can be used to drive the update process. There was discussion that there might be a more current comprehensive plan than 1993 – maybe one in 1996. The process was started to update the comprehensive plan in 2006 but never completed. Doug Conner stated that Licking County would support the township with legal representation, but asks that we keep requests small so they can be handled more quickly. Brad Mercer, of the Licking County Planning Commission, was also mentioned as a source of information on how to update the zoning resolutions. Bill Siegel suggested looking at the commercial sections of the zoning resolution.

- A Zoning Commission Meeting will be held February 17, 2020 at 6:30 p.m. at the township building for them to select a chair and continue discussions. Members should contact the zoning clerk if they need a copy of the current zoning resolution.
- Dale McCombs was identified as the chair of the Zoning Appeals Board.
- Bill Siegel made a motion to adjourn the meeting and Dave Cole seconded the motion. The motion passed with all Yes votes.

Minutes taken by Melodie Bogantz, Zoning Clerk for Liberty Township, Licking County, Ohio

Zoning Clerk: Melodie Bogantz Date: 1/27/2020