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HUNTINGTON TOWNSHIP ZONING COMMISSION
45955 STATE ROUTE 162

Minutes of July 19, 2022

The Huntington Township Zoning Commission held a regular scheduled meeting July 19th 2022 called to order at 7:00 PM with the pledge of allegiance by Vice Chairperson Tom Murray. In attendance: Bob Budi, Tom Murray, Matt Combs, Abel Combs, Rita Rollin, George Webb, Sheila Lanning, Robert Holmes and Jed Lamb. Todd Denes was absent.

Motion by Budi with a second by Murray to approve the minutes of May 17, 2022 as written. Roll call: 4 yeas. Vice Chairperson Murray gave the two attending Trustees the floor to explain their decision to NOT adopt the proposed Zoning Amendment pertaining to portable storage sheds. The portion of the Zoning Amendment pertaining to Ponds was adopted by the Trustees after their public hearing on 6/6/2022. Lanning: read previous amendments to zoning for shipping containers: 6.15 Portable Storage Sheds revised 2007, 2009, 2019. Lamb: sent shipping contain amendment back, my opinion if people have stuff I would rather see shipping containers than a lot of barns. Steel container that you can pick up and take to dump is easier. Holmes: my opinion is to not allow them because they are just full of unsightly stuff like a hoarder, people hide them and I discussed with another Trustee Walter Rollin and he agrees with me. They are unsightly. Rita Rollin: on the books already, they are prohibited for years and it just hasn't been enforced. We allow two portable sheds and we discussed allowing containers but making them get a year permit and putting them on a gravel pad. The problem is your idea of enough stone and my idea are different so it might end up being a few stones as a pad. Holmes: Amish do a nice job building, just build it. Lamb: I think even the storage truck beds take away your rights in zoning. Webb: researched LaGrange and they allow containers but you must make them aesthetically pleasing. This is difficult to enforce because what is ascetic to one person may not be to another. John Wilkinson: a shipping container is not for storage of things. Murray: not horribly opposed, I have used a semi-trailer in the past. I would not like to see grass growing around them. If you allow some, are you opening the door? Lamb: thank you to the board members for their dedication to the Community. If you come up with something even if you don't allow containers, I respect that. Murray: I have been here for a year, I suggest we revisit this down the road. Budi: this has been on the books a long time.

Zoning Inspector – Combs: I am resigning as Inspector but will stick around till new person found.

New Business – Lamb discussed appointment of John Wilkinson to the Board replacing Lyn Ickes. Will be able to officially appoint him at the 8/1/2022 Trustee meeting. Discussion on making George Webb a full Board Member and moving Todd Denes to alternate. Also discussed making Murray Chairperson and electing a new Vice Chairperson. Lanning to investigate what that would entail.

Public Comments – none

Motion by Budi with a second by Rollin to adjourn. Roll call: 4 yeas, meeting adjourned at 7:47 PM.

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Signed Chairman

Attest, Secretary