

HUNTINGTON TOWNSHIP ZONING COMMISSION
45955 STATE ROUTE 162

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Minutes of November 17, 2020

The Huntington Township Zoning Commission met in regular scheduled session at 7:00 PM at the Township Hall. Steve Eichinger called the meeting to order with the pledge of allegiance. Present including Steve Eichinger: Robert Cleary, Rita Rollin, Bob Budi, Todd Denes, Dennis Finkel and Sheila Lanning. Denzil StClair was absent. Public attendance was Lyn Ickes.

Motion by Cleary with a second by Rollin to approve the minutes of September 15, 2020 as written. Vote: 5 yeas.

Zoning Inspector- One permit for a 24 x 24 garage

Old Business – none

New Business –

Lyn Ickes: The Land Use Plan is nearing completion with the finalization of Census data. Recent information shows County development moving westward. Attending today to urge the Board to act upon zoning for some type of conservation development. Need to act now to look at how to go about limiting the overall number of lots. Eichinger: We have some information in the minutes but can you provide some of the information you worked on. Ickes: You can look at the maps for places where you have swaths of acreage where developments will be possible. Conservation Zoning but cannot get too picky. Finding something well written would be helpful. Eichinger: You mentioned in one of the meetings that you have to give them something. Need to see something already written to draw upon. Rollin: The property pointed to as an example has wetlands. Eichinger: We need to gather information and need volunteers to help. Ickes: suggest a call to the Ohio Township Association. You're not changing your zoning, just putting an overlay on. Finkel: Currently Eaton Township is looking at two high-density housing development with one that has 524 homes on 80 acres. Need something in place especially if they start their building program back up. Denes: Ask what is the right answer. I am a farmer and my family farm with not be sold for development purposes. You drive around and there are houses on 7 or 10 acres, that kills farmland. Ickes: You can sell off frontage for three houses, we can only tell you what the minimum frontage must be under the current zoning. Trying to get these developments to be a park like setting. Want to maintain the rural character.

Discuss on "conservation developments" and what some specifics could look like. The Township currently requires 350' of frontage that would be challenged by a developer. Finkel: the electorate voted upon the frontage so that is favorable to the Township. Budi: Frontage changes would only be in the development.

Eichinger: I will contact the Township Association and hopefully will have something to work on at next meeting and possibly complete in 3 or 4 months. Ickes: Will try to get some more maps.

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Public participation – none

Motion by Denes with a second by Budi to adjourn. Vote: 5 yes, meeting adjourned at 7:28 P.M.

Signed Chairman

Attest, Secretary