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HUNTINGTON TOWNSHIP ZONING COMMISSION
45955 STATE ROUTE 162

Minutes of August 18, 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: Bob Budi, Robert Cleary, Dennis Finkel and Sheila Lanning. Todd Denes arrived at 7:04. Denzil StClair and Rita Rollin were absent. Public attendance included Heather Cleary, Jaxson Denes, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Petros and Nick and Amy Poole.

Motion by Cleary with a second by Budi to approve the minutes of July 21, 2020 as presented. Vote: 3 yeas, Denes had not arrived at the time of the vote.

Zoning Inspector- Quite a few building permits issued. Twin Lakes in jeopardy of losing EPA permits. Waiting for Mike and Cody to make their inspection. They were meeting with Twin Lakes over several possible issues. They made permanent sites and cabins. Moved in permanent homes for employees to live in and dug a 1 to 1 ratio pond that a kid would not get out of if needed. Next days will get some work on the risk to losing the money from ODNR they requested.

Old Business – The Zoning Inspector’s explanations of changes and issues at Clar Mar (Twin Lakes) campground are only Old Business.

New Business – County wide building department start up is behind due to COVID and belief is that it may start in January 2021. Cleary: questioned the permitting process after start of building department. Finkel: Zoning permits with continue to go through the Township; Building permits will have to go through the County.

Public participation – Mr. Jim Petros explained that he is a disabled Veteran and would like to question how to erect a 750 square footage cottage on the property of his daughter and son in law Amy and Nick Poole at 26905 West Road. Eichinger provided Zoning sections: 7.3, 7.33, 7.35, 6.93, 4.27, 4.119 clarifying Zoning that pertains to the question. Finkel: the result of these Zoning Sections are that a cottage is not allowed in the Township. Mrs. Petros asked if the cottage could be on wheels and therefore allowed. Finkel: no, you can however, build onto the existing home or tie and additional structure to the home with a permanent structure like an enclosed breezeway/porch. The biggest issue will be getting approval for the septic system. Need to contact the Lorain County Health Department. There are “in law suites” in the Township. The septic system may need updated or they may require a new system. Provided Zoning Inspector and LC Health Department phone numbers.

Motion by Cleary with a second by Budi to adjourn. Vote: 4 yes, meeting adjourned at 7:22 P.M.

Signed Chairman

Attest, Secretary