

# THORN TOWNSHIP ZONING COMMISSION

**Zoning Members Present:** Ron White  
Marci McCauley  
Jeff Zemalong  
Todd Brune, Zoning Inspector  
Deborah Morgan, Zoning Secretary

**Guests Present:** Soup Dornon  
Dale Factor

**Meeting:** Date: 04/07/10  
Time: 7:00 p.m.  
Location: Thorn Township Building

The regular Thorn Township Zoning Commission meeting was called to order by Chairperson Marci McCauley by saying the Pledge of Allegiance to the American flag. Roll call was taken and all members were present except for Jerry Nethers and Rick McCance. The minutes of the March 2010 meeting were read by the Zoning Secretary and after a correction to the wording of boatdocks the minutes were approved as read.

Zoning Inspector Todd Brune reported on the covered/uncovered boatdock issue; at this time no other areas around the lake have zoning regulations dealing with this issue. Discussion was also held on the issue of jurisdiction of canals and channels of Buckeye Lake located within Thorn Township. Soup Dornon stated that based on a court decision in 1975/1976 all channels and canals flowing south out of Buckeye Lake is private property. Inspector Brune stated that he will come up with a rough draft of language dealing with this issue for the Zoning Commission to review.

The issue of conditional use fee wording and its consistency was discussed as well as permitted uses. The statement "if it is not listed here as a permitted use than it is not permitted" was suggested to be added within the zoning resolution so that it applies for all different districts. Placing it in the glossary was discussed, so that it would define permitted use. It was decided that the definition for permitted use would be determined and then added to the zoning resolution at the next revision.

A brief discussion on the Township website was discussed and it was decided that this subject will be discussed at the next meeting.

The zoning secretary distributed the revised zoning/BZA member application for review and after a brief discussion it was approved to be added to the website.

## **Open Items for Discussion**

A brief discussion was held on the agenda items for the next meeting, it was decided that continued discussion of covered/uncovered boat docks, website review, and open items for discussion would be the agenda for May.

After no further business, a motion to adjourn was made by Ron White and seconded by Jeff Zemalong. The meeting was adjourned by Chairperson McCauley at 8:00p.m.

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Marci McCauley, Chairman

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Deborah Morgan, Secretary