

THORN TOWNSHIP ZONING COMMISSION

Zoning Members Present:

Rick McCance
Casey Casto
Joe Blaine

Todd Brune, Zoning Inspector
Deborah Morgan, Zoning Secretary

Guests Present:

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Meeting:

Date: 04/04/2012
Time: 6:00 p.m.
Location: Thorn Township Building

The regular Thorn Township Zoning Commission meeting was called to order by Chairman Rick McCance by saying the Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag. Roll call was taken and all members were present except for Jeff Zemolung and Ed Corns. The minutes of the March 2012 meeting were read by the zoning secretary and after no additions or corrections a motion was made by Joe Blaine and seconded by Casey Casto to accept the minutes as read. The motion passed by voice vote of all members present.

Proposed Boat Dock Language

A copy of the newly revised boat dock language changes was distributed to members for their review. Discussion was held on utilities being permitted on boat docks. After discussion a motion was made by Casey Casto to include the wording "utilities to be limited to electric and water only", Joe Blaine seconded the motion. The motion passed by a voice vote of all members present. Discussion was also held on adding any storage areas above a covered dock are to be ~~inhabitable~~ and it would also reference section 25.02. After no further changes to the proposed boat dock language a motion was made by Joe Blaine to hold a public hearing on the newly revised changes, Casey Casto seconded the motion. The motion passed by a voice vote of all members present.

Fence Issues

Rick McCance reported that he made contact with Walnut Township to review their regulations on fences. After a brief discussion it was decided that this issue would be tabled until the next meeting for further discussion.

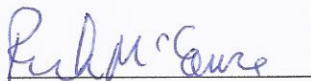
Open Items for Discussion

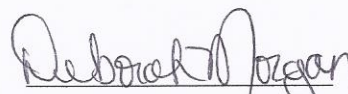
Casey Casto spoke to members about his previous experience with zoning issues as a Zoning Inspector for Harrison Township for 15 years, especially dealing with fence issues.

Inspector Brune reported the following permits issued in March: Lot split on Twp. Rd. 21, pole building on Twp. Rd. 390, dock on Rustic Lane, new build on Canoe Lane, porch addition on Twp. Rd. 83, accessory building on South Shore Drive, and deck permit on St. Rt. 13.

Agenda items for the next meeting will be the public hearing for the boat dock language proposed changes. Regular meeting agenda items will be fence issues, and open items for discussion.

After no further business the meeting was adjourned by Chairman McCance at 6:47 p.m.


Rick McCance, Chairman


Deborah Morgan, Secretary