

THORN TOWNSHIP ZONING COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES

Date: 02/10/2025

Meeting Type: Regular Meeting

Meeting Location: Thorn Township Building, 13780 Zion Road, Thornville, Ohio

Board Members Present: Mark Becker, Mary Alice Stidham, Jim Hay, Mark Huggins, Sandy Davis, and Alternate Chad Eveland

Zoning Department Members Present: Ed Corns, Zoning Inspector and Deborah Morgan, Zoning Secretary

Guests Present: Lee Morgan

2025 Organization Meeting

The February 2025 Zoning Commission meeting was called to order by Chairman Mark Becker. Roll call of members was taken and all members and alternate Chad Eveland were present, with member Jim Hay arriving later at 6:19 p.m.

Regular Monthly Zoning Meeting

The minutes of the January 2025 meeting were reviewed and Mary Alice moved to approve the minutes as presented, Sandy Davis seconded the motion. The motion passed by a unanimous yes vote of voting members present.

Zoning Resolution/Regulation Discussion

Discussion was held on ways to review the current regulations and how to go about making revisions. After discussion it was decided that the items listed below will be the first things the board will review for discussion at the next meeting in March.

- Change the District name of Rural Business to Commercial and also review the special use section to see if it could be combined with Rural Business (Articles 18 & 20)
- Review home occupations regarding the Northwest Residential and Rural Residential Districts (Article 25.2)
- Review Rural Residential and Northwest for addition of requiring a well and septic permit (Article 13 & 15)
- Review adding new regulations for Marijuana Dispensaries, etc.

Open Items for Discussion

No open items for discussion

Zoning Inspector Report

Zoning Inspector Corns reported the following permits for January 2025:

- Covered deck on Shoreline Drive
- New build on Ridenour Road
- Ag Exempt on Custer's Point Road

Inspector Corns informed the board that he is working with the Trustees and zoning legal counsel on setting up some quarter training sessions for the Zoning Commission and the Board of Zoning Appeals (BZA).

Visitor Comments

None

Zoning Commission Member Comments/Questions

None

Agenda for next Monthly Zoning Meeting

Zoning Regulation Review

Open Items for Discussion

After no further business the meeting was adjourned at 7:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

Deborah Morgan, Zoning Secretary