

THORN TOWNSHIP ZONING COMMISSION

Zoning Members Present: Rick McCance
Marci McCauley
Jerry Nethers
Todd Brune, Zoning Inspector
Deborah Morgan, Zoning Secretary

Guests Present: Soup Dornon
Dale Factor

Meeting: Date: 03/03/10
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 Jeff Zemalong and Ron White. The minutes of the February 2010 meeting were read by the Zoning Secretary and after no additions or corrections a motion was made by Rick McCance to approve the minutes and was seconded by Jerry Nethers. The motion passed by a voice vote of all members present.

The issue of Boathouse/Boat docks was discussed and Zoning Inspector Todd Brune gave an update of his work on this subject. It was decided that the correct terminology should be, covered boat docks or uncovered boat docks rather than boat house. Inspector Brune stated that he will provide the members with more information once he obtains more clarification from ODNR. After further discussion it was decided that this issue will be re-visited at the next meeting.

The Zoning Secretary provided the members with a sample of a Zoning member application. After review it was decided that the application would be shortened and be re-submitted for review at the next meeting.

Open Items for Discussion

The Township website was briefly discussed and it was recommended that all members visit the website before the next meeting and a discussion on everyone's thoughts, ideas, or any additions can take place.

Rick McCance suggested that when the issue of political signs is reviewed, it should be broadened to include all sign issues.

Chairperson McCauley thanked Ron white for his time as Chairman of the Zoning Commission and for his continued service to this board.

Trustee Dale Factor spoke to members about the issue of speaking to Municipal Publications concerning the possibility of enhancing our zoning map. After a brief discussion a motion was made by Rick McCance to have Zoning Inspector Brune spend money for the enhancement of the zoning map, the motion was seconded by Jerry Nethers. The motion passed by a voice vote of all members present.

A brief discussion was held on the agenda items for the next meeting it was decided that continued discussion of covered boat docks/boat docks, Item #2 of the Bin Items, and open items for discussion would be the agenda for April.

After no further business, a motion to adjourn was made by Rick McCance and seconded by Jerry Nethers. The meeting was adjourned by Chairperson McCauley at 7:45p.m.