

THORN TOWNSHIP ZONING COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES

Date: 9-12-22

Meeting Type: Regular Monthly Meeting

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

Board Members Present: Jim Hay, Mark Huggins, Brad Blain, Mark Becker, Alternate Mary Alice Stidham

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

Guests Present: None

The September 12, 2022 regular monthly meeting of the Thorn Township Zoning Commission was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by Co-Chair Brad Blain, in the absence of Chairperson Gniewkowski. Roll call was taken and the following were present: Brad Blain, Jim Hay, Mark Huggins, Mark Becker, Alternate Mary Alice Stidham

The Minutes of the August 2022 regular monthly meeting were reviewed. Jim Hay moved to approve the minutes as presented, Mark Becker seconded the motion. The motion passed by a yes voice vote of all members present.

Article XXII.4 – Development Standards Discussion

David Snider, Perry County SWCD Director submitted an email stating his concerns of the township's current language in Article XXII.4. Co-Chair Brad Blain stated that the board should investigate the concerns. Zoning Inspector Ed Corns suggested that Mr. Snider be invited to the next regular meeting to speak to the board about his concerns. It was agreed that Mr. Snider should be invited. Inspector Corns stated that he would reach out to Mr. Snider to see if he was available for November 14th.

Open Items for Discussion

Inspector Corns questioned the board on their feelings of allowing campgrounds in the township in the Rural Business, and if they are interested in that concept, what would they want it to look like. Board member Jim Hay stated that he is not opposed to the idea. Inspector Corns wanted to know, conceptually, what would they want to see. Discussion was held and the items that were mentioned were: Full hookups, electricity availability, and other campground amenities. Inspector Corns stated that a traffic study should be completed and a concept of what would be planned should be supplied to the board to review. Co-Chair Blain agreed that a full-concept plan would be nice to review.

Zoning Inspector Report

Inspector Corns reported the following permits:

Covered Boat Dock – Twp. Rd. 403

Lot Splits for Lots 1-13 at 10374 State Rt. 13

Inspector Corns answered a question that was brought up at a previous meeting concerning a business being ran in a residential area. Inspector Corns stated that the business in question did move and moved to an area that it is now permissible. It was reported that a new zoning map is being worked on to add to the website and to the current zoning regulations.

Visitor Comments

None

Zoning Commission Member Comments/Questions

None

Agenda for next Monthly Zoning Meeting

The "Nest at Buckeye Lake" PRD

David Snider from Perry County SWCD

Open Items for Discussion

After no further business the meeting was adjourned at 7:24 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

Deborah Morgan, Zoning Secretary