

THORN TOWNSHIP ZONING COMMISSION

Zoning Members Present: Joe Blaine
Mark Huggins
Ronald Bonnette
Jamie Stewart
Ed Corns, Zoning Inspector
Deborah Morgan, Zoning Secretary

Guests Present: Dave Lyle
Charles W. Dornon
Michael Hooser

Meeting: Date: 09/11/2017
Time: 6:00 p.m.
Location: Thorn Township Building

Public Hearing: Proposed Zoning Resolution Change

The Public Hearing was opened at 6:00 p.m. by Chairman Joe Blaine. Zoning Inspector Ed Corns showed a Powerpoint of the proposed new zoning map detailing the proposed changes being considered in the Lake Residential District. Inspector Corns explained that these changes are in line with the new Township Comprehensive Plan. The specific changes were explained to the guests attending. Ongoing explanation was given, as to the reasons and history, along with all considerations taken when developing these proposed changes. The process of amending the zoning resolution was also discussed.

After no further discussion or questions the public hearing was adjourned at 6:29 p.m.

September Regular Zoning Meeting

The minutes of the August 2017 regular zoning commission meeting were presented. Ron Bonnette made a motion to accept and approve the minutes as presented, Jamie Stewart seconded the motion. The motion passed by a vote of all members present.

Zoning Inspector Ed Corns presented the following recent permits issued:

- *Accessory Building Ridenour Road*
- *Accessory Building St. Rt. 188*
- *Boat Dock Honeycreek Road*
- *New Build Twp. Rd. 403*
- *Boat House Twp. Rd. 493*
- *Accessory Building Highpoint Road*

Jamie Stewart reported on an ongoing parking issue in New Salem Farms, a petition is going around the area to have the current signs removed and this may be brought up at the next Trustee meeting.

A brief discussion was held on the public hearing for the proposed changes to the lake residential section of the zoning resolution. After this discussion Ron Bonnette made a motion to forward the Lake Residential proposed changes as they were presented during the public hearing to the Thorn Township Trustees, Jamie Stewart seconded the motion. After no further discussion the motion passed by a unanimous vote of all members present.

The Zoning Secretary will draft a letter, along with the proposed changes, to the Trustees informing them of the outcome of the public hearing and the vote to move forward with the proposed changes.

Zoning Inspector Corns recommended that the next area of the zoning resolution that should be reviewed for possible changes is Rural Business. Inspector Corns showed the board what area this currently involves and the members stated that they will start looking at this language and discuss it further at the next meeting.

After no other business the meeting was adjourned by Joe Blaine at 7:00 p.m.

Joe Blaine, Chairman

Deborah Morgan, Secretary