

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

Minutes of

Meeting

Etna Township Zoning Commission

DAYTON LEGAL BLANK, INC., FORM NO. 10148

Held September 20, 2006
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The Etna Township Zoning Commission met in the Etna Township Hall on September 20, 2006 for the purpose of conducting a regular meeting. The meeting was audio taped for the township records.

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Chairman Colburn with the following members present: Mrs. Dunlap, Mrs. Taylor, Mr. Stepp, Mr. Van Dyne, Chairman Colburn, and Clerk Laura Brown. Trent Stepp arrived at 7:08 p.m.

Dee Dunlap moved that we adopt the agenda with flexibility. Taylor seconded. Roll call: Motion passed 4-0.

Jim VanDyne stated the Trustees voted to send the text amendment on accessory buildings back to the Zoning Commission. The residents had an issue with the height restriction. A resident was upset because you could not house a motor home. Barb provided the members with the resolutions from the Trustees meeting. The commission discussed height restrictions and the amendment. The Trustees will have to deny or accept the recommendation at the Trustees meeting on October 3rd to meet the deadlines. The Trustees can modify the text amendment and the Zoning Commission felt is it out of their hands. The Zoning Commission discussed making different restrictions for different districts.

Jim VanDyne moved to waive the public reading and to approve the minutes from the regular meeting on September 6, 2006. Taylor seconded. Roll call: Motion passed 5-0.

Old Business

- A. Section 910 General Business Limiting Square Footage. Vince spoke with Scott Sanders of Delaware Regional Planning. Scott said he needed the entire General Business District so it was sent to him with the NAICS Codes inserted. If he has the districts ready by next meeting Vince will have it to present.
- B. Signs. Stan Robinson presented a proposal for a text amendment concerning signs. Vince Colburn asked if the Road Crew can pick up signs when mowing. Stan Robinson stated they have to file a nuisance resolution and send a letter to the owner, most Zoning Inspector's pick up the signs. The commission discussed the road crew having to pick up the signs before they can mow. A sign can not be put on private property without the property owner's permission. Trent Stepp interprets that no sign can be placed in the public right-of-way and under Section 1204 under item 7 to be for public property not road right-of-way. Stan Robinson did not interpret the code this way he would like it to be clearly stated. Trent stated putting a sign in the right-of-way is a violation and keeping a sign up to long on private property is different. Vince Colburn discussed adding the text amendment to Section 1211 Violations and the word "shall" being used in the amendment. Keep on the agenda for next meeting.
- C. Animals in residential district. The Board of Zoning Appeals up held the Zoning Inspector's decision on the violation. The commission feels it is working and let it stand the way it is.
- D. Banners. Stan Robinson presented the commission with a definition for banners. Section 1202 Item 6 states no sign or part thereof shall contain or consist of banners etc. The commission discussed and felt that a banner is a sign and did not need to be added to the definition section. The Zoning Inspector interprets and they can appeal his decision.

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Public Comments

Neil Ingle feels the Zoning Commission can not define everything in the Zoning Resolution. The Zoning Resolution is now being enforced and is vague in places but now it is being enforced.

Claudette VanDyne feels all the changes in the Zoning Resolution make it confusing by adding to the amendment page. She feels the complete revision of the Zoning Resolution and Comprehensive Plan is important and the Zoning Resolution is becoming important to have changed.

Jim VanDyne moved to adjourn at 8:28. Stepp seconded. Motion passed 5-0.

Approved October 4, 2006

Laura Brown
Laura Brown, Clerk

Approved as corrected/amended _____

Vince Colburn
Vince Colburn, Chairman Pro-Temp