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The Zoning Commission met in the Etna Township Community Center on July 7, 2010 for the purpose of conducting a regular meeting. The meeting was recorded for the township record. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Chairman Stepp with the following members present: Randy Snider, Bryan Herd, Trent Stepp, Bill Young, Robert Essex, Alternate Mike Kerner, and Clerk Laura Brown. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Bill Young moved to adopt the agenda. The motion was seconded by Randy Snider and passed without objection.

Announcements & Comments –

The Board of Trustees will hold the public hearing for Article 9 at their meeting on July 20th, 2010 and the public hearing for the 310 Corridor Focus Area on August 3rd, 2010.

Bill Young moved to waive the public reading and to approve the minutes from the June 23rd, 2010. The motion was seconded by Robert Essex and passed without objection.

Old Business –

Zoning Administrator Chris Harkness provided an overview of the recommended changes to Article 5 – Administration. In Section 522 it was recommended to add the Etna Township’s Comprehensive Plan.

Bill Young moved to start the text amendment process for Article 5-Administration with modifications as presented this evening. The motion was seconded by Randy Snider. Roll call: Randy Snider, yes; Bryan Herd, yes; Trent Stepp, yes; Bill Young, yes; and Robert Essex, yes; the motion passed 5-0.

New Business –

The Zoning Commission discussed the checklist. Chris Harkness suggested Article 12 relating to signs. Article 8 needs reworked to match the updated Article 9. Trent Stepp also discussed the Article 11 relating to parking. The Zoning Commission discussed signs being the number one concern. Bill Young and Robert Essex will work on architectural review board standards. Townships are not permitted to restrict building materials or colors. Before the next meeting the Zoning Commission will review areas that may have architectural standards to start with and also areas that may help with the sign article. Randy Snider and Bryan Herd will review items for the sign article. Trent Stepp will review Article 8.

Public Comments –

Gary Burkholder 254 Trail East supports working on the sign code. He suggested a legal review of the entire Zoning Resolution. He discussed the model sign code for the City of Reynoldsburg. He is supportive of Architectural Review. Gary Burkholder was not aware the Zoning Commission would not hold a public hearing on the 310 Corridor Plan. The Cumberland Trail Homeowner’s Association supports the 310 Corridor Plan drafted by MSI Engineering. He discussed the reserve areas being corrected on the current plan.

Bill Young moved to adjourn at 8:22 p.m. The motion was seconded by Robert Essex. Roll call: Randy Snider, yes; Bryan Herd, yes; Trent Stepp, yes; Bill Young, yes; and Robert Essex, yes; the motion passed 5-0.

Approved July 21st, 2010

Approved as corrected/amended _____

Laura Brown
Laura Brown, Clerk

Trent Stepp
Trent Stepp, Chairman