RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

Etna Township Zoning Commission

Minutes of

Meeting

	January 9, 2018	8
	Held20	
	The Etna Township Zoning Commission met on January 9, 2018 in the Etna Township Administration Building for the purpose of conducting a regular meeting. The meeting was audio recorded for the township records. The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Chairman Painter. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Roll call showed the following members present: Litichia McIntyre, Dave Olson, Mark Painter, Josh DiYanni, and clerk Laura Brown. Lisa Loudenslager was excused.	
	Litichia McIntyre moved to adopt the agenda. The motion was seconded by Dave Olson and passed without objection.	
	Zoning Commission Announcements and Comments – Trustee Johnson was in attendance. He will be the Trustee Liaison for the Zoning Commission. Lisa Loudenslager was re-appointed to the Zoning Commission for another five year term. The Trustees approved a raise for the members at \$50.00 a meeting for a member and \$75.00 a meeting for the chairperson. Freddie Latella has been hired as a Zoning Inspector. The commission discussed education classes and the seminar that Licking County used to host.	
	Minutes Litichia McIntyre moved to waive the public reading and to approve the minutes from the November 21, 2017 regular meeting. The motion was seconded by Josh DiYanni and passed without objection.	
	Old Business Zoning Inspector, John Singleton, reviewed some recommended text modification to the Zoning Resolution regarding trees in the buffering section, driveway setbacks, asphalt definitions, and swimming pools.	
	In Article 16, Section 1606 A solid fence, wall, or berm 3ft to 6ft in height may and can substitute for shrub requirements. He is recommending adding "tree". John Singleton explained situations in the township and spoke with the Prosecutors office regarding this issue. The township needs to remain consistent.	
	The Zoning Commission discussed the types of trees permitted or recommended. The township has a list of approved trees in their Street Tree Policy. They discussed the tree being the correct variety for the zone that the township is in. They also discussed how low to the ground the tree should be. They discussed reviewing the entire buffering section to make them consistent. They discussed in Section 1108 screening and/or landscaping adjacent to parking areas. In Section 1108 and in the tables language will be added regarding the tree required and must be from zones that are for Ohio. John Singleton will review the sections for consistency. When doing a plan review for a development the buffering is reviewed.	
	John Singleton explained the need for a text amendment regarding fencing around swimming pools. The township has received a request for substituting a power safety cover in lieu of a fence. The Commission discussed the safety between a fence and a power cover. The cover would have to meet the ASTM F1346-91 safety requirements	
	In Article 11, Section 1111 Joint Use regarding residential driveways he recommends adding "Driveways shall have a minimum setback of 5' from side and rear lot lines. The exception would be properties having approved Joint Access Driveway Agreements." Section 1110 would eliminate issues with driveways on property lines creating shared driveways. Issues with shared driveways were discussed.	
	In Article 2, Section 2001 definitions he recommends adding definitions for recycled asphalt, recycled concrete, and asphalt. This would help eliminate the issues with using asphalt grindings or crushed concrete. The Zoning Commission discussed requiring paving in storage areas. They discussed buffering requirements around storage areas.	
	The Zoning Commission will start the text amendments for swimming pools, asphalt definitions, and driveway setback.	
	Dave Olson moved to adjourn at 7:50 p.m. The motion was seconded by Josh DiYanni and passed by unanimous affirmative vote.	
C	Laura Brown, Clerk Mark Painter, Chairman	