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The Etna Township Zoning Commission met on July 10, 2013 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 7:06 p.m. by Chairman Essex. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Roll call showed the following members present: Randy Snider, Robert Essex, Gil Guttentag, Lisa Loudenslager, and clerk Laura Brown. Freddie Latella was absent.

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

Zoning Commission Announcements and Comments – None

Randy Snider moved to waive the public reading and to approve the minutes from the June 19, 2013 regular meeting. The motion was seconded by Gil Guttentag and passed without objection.

Public Comments

Mary Schwab at 9085 York Road discussed her needs for a veterinary clinic in Etna Township. She would like to see this added to Local Business. She also discussed options for a mobile clinic. Her property is zoned agriculture and residential. The mobile clinic would be for dogs and cats. If this use is considered a Home Occupation it would have to be attached to the house.

Public Hearings at 7:15 p.m.

Text amendment to the Zoning Resolution to Article – 8 Establishment and Purpose of Districts and Article-9 District Regulations.

Lisa Loudenslager moved to open the public hearing at 7:38 p.m. for Text Amendment AM-13-03 submitted by the Zoning Commission to amend Article 8 Establishment and Purpose of Districts and Article 9 District Regulations. The motion was seconded by Randy Snider. The roll call on the motion was as follows: Randy Snider, yes; Robert Essex, yes; Gil Guttentag, yes; and Lisa Loudenslager, yes; motion passed 4-0.

Chairman Essex reviewed the process. Rob Platte reviewed the changes that were recommended from Licking County Planning Commission. The Zoning Commission was provided final documents with the recommended changes.

Gil Guttentag moved to close the public hearing at 7:57 p.m. The motion was seconded by Lisa Loudenslager. The roll call on the motion was as follows: Randy Snider, yes; Robert Essex, yes; Gil Guttentag, yes; and Lisa Loudenslager, yes; motion passed 4-0.

Gil Guttentag moved to recommend to the Board of Trustees approval of Text Amendment AM-13-03 submitted by the Zoning Commission to amend Article 8 Establishment and Purpose of Districts and Article 9 District Regulations. The motion was seconded by Randy Snider. The roll call on the motion was as follows: Randy Snider, yes; Robert Essex, yes; Gil Guttentag, yes; and Lisa Loudenslager, yes; motion passed 4-0.

Old Business

Pet/Animal Regulations

The Zoning Commission discussed animal restrictions with Mary Schwab. She suggested the Humane Society Websites for regulations. She also stated Pickerington has a strict exotic animal law.

Well Field Protection District

Rob Platte reported that the Licking County Prosecutor’s Office does not want the township to adopt the Resolution from the Southwest Licking Water and Sewer District. It cannot be done as an overlay district either. It would have to be done in Article 9 by district regulation.

New Business

Rob Platte discussed the R-3 Zoning District removal from Article 9. The Board of Trustees moved to forward the R-3 District to the Zoning Commission to review and act upon. There are two areas that are zoned R-3. The Pepper Tree Subdivision off of Pike Street and the Willow Creek Condominiums on Palmer Road. The R-3 zoning was removed in 2004. These properties are enforced under the previous R-3 zoning. Rob Platte recommends that Zoning Commission re-zone any and all parcels from R-3 to RS zoning. The Willow Creek Condominiums are grandfathered to finish the condominiums as originally permitted. The Pepper Tree Subdivision is built out.

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Gil Guttentag moved to start the process to rezone all parcels located in the former Medium Density Residential District (R-3) to the Single Family Residential District (RS) and to transmit a copy of this motion as well as the text and map pertaining to it to the Licking County Planning Commission for review and recommendation. The motion was seconded by Lisa Loudenslager. The roll call on the motion was as follows: Randy Snider, yes; Robert Essex, yes; Gil Guttentag, yes; and Lisa Loudenslager, yes; motion passed 4-0.

Randy Snider moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:58 p.m. The motion was seconded by Lisa Loudenslager and passed without objection.

Approved August 7, 2013

Approved as corrected/amended _____

Laura Brown

Laura Brown, Clerk

Robert Essex

Robert Essex, Chairman