

LAWRENCE TOWNSHIP ZONING COMMISSION MEETING

December 5, 2016

The members in attendance: Chairman John Walsh, George Downes, Eric McGovern, Tedd Finlayson and Frank Bachman. Chairman Trustee Don Ackerman and Zoning Inspector Ron Weekley were also in attendance.

The meeting was called to order at 7:03 p.m. by Chairman John Walsh.

Chairman Walsh opened the public hearing for zoning revisions. I reported to the Commission that I picked up the proposed zoning regulations from the Tuscarawas County Public Library Bolivar Branch and from the U.S. Post Office Bolivar Branch and there were no comments attached to the regulations. I also reported that I had received no phone calls or visitors at the township office regarding the proposed regulations as well.

At 7:15 due to no public participation, Tedd Finlayson made a motion to close the public hearing. Motion was seconded by George Downes and passed unanimously. The public hearing was closed at 7:15 p.m.

Eric McGovern made a motion to accept the November 14, 2016 meeting minutes. Motion was seconded by George Downes and passed unanimously.

Chairman Trustee Don Ackerman had nothing to report to the Zoning Commission.

Jill Lengler from Tuscarawas County Regional Planning reviewed her recommendations regarding the proposed changes to the Zoning Regulations. The Zoning Commission thanked her for her time and dedication to helping with the regulations.

After final discussions regarding the regulations, Tedd Finlayson made a motion to accept the changes to the zoning regulations and that motion was seconded by Frank Bachman. After a roll call vote, the motion passed unanimously. The Zoning Commission expressed their sincere appreciation to Stan Koehlinger who was an instrumental part of these changes. The proposed Zoning Regulations will be presented to the Lawrence Township Trustees at their regularly scheduled meeting on Thursday, December 8, 2016. An anticipated time line would have the trustees hold a public hearing on Thursday, December 29, 2016 with the notice being published in the Times Reporter on Sunday, December 18, 2016.

Tedd Finlayson made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Frank Bachman, motion passed unanimously and the meeting was adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

The next Zoning Commission meeting is scheduled for Monday, February 6, 2017 at 7:00 p.m. at the Lawrence Township Building.

Respectfully,

Ann Ackerman