

May 8, 2017

Zoning Commission Meeting

7:04 p.m., call to order.

John Walsh, Chairman, George Downes, Tedd Finlayson board members present. Ron Weekley, Zoning Inspector, and Don Ackerman, Trustee Chairman, present. Guests present were Mr. Santilli.

March 2017 meeting minutes discussed, Tedd Finlayson motioned minutes be accepted, George Downes seconded, March meeting minutes approved.

Mr. Santilli addressed the Commission over concerns with 11554 Strasburg-Bolivar road, at the intersection of Ridge Road and Strasburg-Bolivar. Concerns over the property being used for everything other than residential. Many neighbors and residents upset that the property appears to be being used as commercial or industrial property. Not fair to those complying with the zoning laws. 2 shipping containers now on premises. Now residing in travel trailer. Seems to keep pushing the limits. In the opinion of Mr. Santilli, the property owners seem to have no regard for the neighborhood. He did not move to the area to see this kind of abuse.

John Walsh asked if equipment comes and goes, Mr. Santilli stated yes. Don Ackerman addressed the issue of backing equipment onto road and across road. He spoke to County Engineer Joe Bachman about the driveway at the top of the hill and if a permit was issued for it. Rob Lint is investigating.

Ron Weekley addressed the issue with the permits for the house and garage and the storage containers. Containers will require permits, and property owner was made aware of this in a letter in April. The house permit has been issued and the garage permit was issued in 2015.

Tedd Finlayson spoke that research shows excavating equipment is for construction and home building. Also explained our 1 year to start using and 1 year following to complete the home build, effectively giving a person 2 years. Also spoke to the upper driveway issue being a change of use from the oil well access to a personal driveway. Ron Weekley to contact Rob Lint about checking the upper driveway and if a permit was issued originally to the oil well access company.

Tedd Finlayson discussed Fire Code Resolution. Don acknowledged Trustee's had not discussed at last regular meeting. Tedd states Ohio Fire Code should be used. Township needs to appoint someone annually to fill the position of a Township fire Prevention Officer using the Ohio Fire Code as guidance. Tedd requests the Trustee's appoint Bolivar fire Chief Shawn Lynch as FPO.

Don mentioned we are still looking for 1 alternate for the Zoning Commission and 2 alternates for the Board of Zoning Appeals.

Tedd submitted changes to the LTZR for discussion, to be approved and implemented if possible. See my notes on the proposed changes submitted by Tedd. Attending members went through changes, recommend discussing with all members present.

Adjourned at 9:15p.m.

Next Meeting scheduled for July 10, 2017 at 7:00 p.m.

Ron Weekley