

## **LAWRENCE TOWNSHIP ZONING COMMISSION PUBLIC HEARING AND MEETING**

**July 10, 2023**

Meeting was called to order at 7:08 p.m. by Vice Chairman Mark Scott.

The members in attendance: Mark Scott, Joe Hafer, Sally Storad and Roxanne Kane. Robert Eddy and Frank Bachman, ZC alternates, were also present. Robert Eddy was appointed to vote. Trustees Don Ackerman and Matt Ritterbeck and Zoning Inspector Ron Weekley were present. Bill Woodward of the BZA, present.

Storad made a motion to approve June 5, 2023 meeting minutes, seconded by Hafer, all approved.

Trustee Ackerman stated that Dee Grossman will speak at the August 7, 2023 Zoning Commission meeting about short-term rentals. Frank Bachman has agreed to move to the Board of Zoning Appeals.

Weekley explained the 99-year lease agreement between Lawrence Township and the Mason Lodge for the township walking trail; and that the auction has been postponed. Trustee Matt Ritterbeck explained the CIC and its status. Roxanne informed that there is a new group with the same purpose for the county – ECOBA.

There was a discussion regarding short-term rentals. The goals of the board at this time is to have simple regulations, zoning inspector enforcement of the regulations, obtaining a point of contact for these rentals, parking consideration, to have insured/fire department inspected structures, ECOBA involvement, and egress and general safety for the visitors of the structures. The board decided we do need consider adding a short-term rental section to our regulation book.

Scott requested placing any permits issued since the last meeting to be added to the Zoning Commission minutes to keep the board informed. Weekley agreed to this addition.

Hafer motion to adjourn at 9:02 p.m., Storad 2nd, all approved.

The next Zoning Commission meeting is scheduled for Monday, August 7, 2023 at the Lawrence Township Building at 7:00 p.m.

Respectfully,

Martina Mann