Austinburg Township

Zoning Commission Minutes
August 1, 2022

Members:

Jackie Krysa, Chair Phil Miller, Vice-Chair Shara Parkomaki Clare Polak Sherry Bailey Laurie Robishaw, 1st Alternate Also Present: Rob LaPuh, Zoning Administrator Pete Haase, Township Trustee Byron Dutton, Trustee Liaison

Jackie opened the meeting at 6:03pm. Zoning Administrator had nothing new to report.

Phil motioned to approve the July 13, 2022, minutes; Clare seconded. Roll call vote: Jackie - Aye
Shara - Abstain
Sherry - Aye
Phil - Aye
Clare - Abstain
Laurie - Aye

Minutes approved.

Jackie asked if there were any concerns on the prepared text amendment proposed; there was none stated. Jackie asked for a motion to accept them. Sherry motioned to accept the amendment as detailed in "Proposed amendment by Subject" as presented and dated 8/1/22; Clare seconded. Roll call vote:

Jackie - Aye Shara - Aye Sherry - Aye

Phil - Aye Clare - Aye

Motion passed.

Jackie offered to share any copies from the 2022 NEOH Planning & Zoning Workshop. Laurie said she learned a lot as a new member in attendance. Sherry reported on the classes she attended.

Jackie reminded Commission and attendees the next zoning meeting is on Wednesday, September 7, 2022, at 5pm.

Shara noted that the documents from the County Planning Commission contained a typo that stated that Jackie both voted for and abstained; Jackie will follow up on the error.

Sherry asked about a camper she had noticed on a property without a house, stating her concern that allowing it sets a precedent and that the township is missing out on revenue; Zoning Administrator and Commission discussed.

Trustee Kusar asked about how proposed lighting requirements would affect residential property owners. He was concerned about light pollution and the giant flood lights from commercial properties, but did not feel the township should be regulating and following up on residential properties' lighting. Jackie referred to these as recommendations received from CT Consultants. Secretary cited a clause from Vandalia Township's zoning text that specified it would not apply to "dwellings with 4 or less dwelling units."

Sherry motioned to adjourn; Phil seconded. Roll call vote:

Jackie - Aye Shara - Aye Sherry - Aye

Phil - Aye Clare - Aye

Meeting adjourned at 6:42pm. Respectfully Submitted, Sarah Frank, Zoning Secretary

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Zoning Commission Public Hearing Minutes

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Jackie opened the Public Hearing at 6:43pm. Jackie introduced materials related to the proposed amendment then suggested Trustee Kusar ask the question he posed at the previous meeting.

Trustee Kusar asked about how proposed lighting requirements would affect residential propert owners. He was concerned about light pollution and the giant flood lights from commercial properties, but did not feel the township should be regulating and following up on residential properties' lighting. Laurie agreed that this is an issue already tagged by the Commission for further review.

With no other concerns raised by attendees, Sherry motioned to accept and submit to Township Trustees the amendment as detailed in "Proposed amendment by Subject" as presented and dated 8/1/22 with proposed changes to Articles 2, 8, 9, and 20; Clare seconded. Roll call vote:

Jackie - Aye Shara - Aye Sherry - Aye

Phil - Aye Clare - Aye

Motion passed.

Jackie reminded Commission and attendees the next zoning meeting is on Wednesday, September 7, 2022, at 5pm and the public is invited to attend zoning meetings, as well as Trustees' meetings and Trustees' Public Hearing.

Jackie asked if there was any other business; there was none. Jackie motioned to adjourn; Phil seconded. Roll call vote:

Jackie - Aye Shara - Aye Sherry - Aye Phil - Aye Clare - Aye

Meeting adjourned at 6:55pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Sarah Frank, Zoning Secretary