

Licking Township Zoning Commission

c/o Andrea M. Lynch, Zoning Clerk

Paul Matthews Interim Chairman;

Dale Ours; Guy Zierk; Terry Clark;

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Minutes from the Licking Township Zoning Commission, February 1, 2024

Meeting was called to order at 6:34 p.m.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Commission Members present at roll call: Clark; Matthews; Ours; Zierk.

Absent: None

Others in Attendance: Doug Howell; Andrea Lynch; Dale Wise

Mr. Ours made a motion to approve the meeting minutes.

Mr. Zierk seconded the motion.

Roll Call: Zierk, yes; Ours, yes; Matthews, yes; Clark, yes

Correspondence:

- 1) Crossroads Community Planning presentation packet regarding updating the LTWP Comprehensive Plan.
- 2) Ohio EPA telephone survey Mrs. Lynch received regarding if the Twp had plans to update their current Comprehensive Plan.

At the previous meeting Dale Wise was asked to attend tonight's meeting.

Mr. Wise spoke with the Commission Members about suggested topics moving forward in 2024 as follows:

- Certificate of Occupancy/Use Permit - would need adopted in regulations with fees adopted by Trustees
- Update current Comprehensive Plan
- Buckeye Lake Business District – currently in draft form but never adopted
- Jacksontown District may be a consideration to maintain small town feel
- Article 12 was added in 2013 may need reviewed to see if the conditional uses are still applicable
- Article 13 was added in 2019 so does not need much updating
- Article 2, 4, and 5 may need reviewed. Does Article 5 mean majority or unanimous?
- Lot Size – does the township want high density/what impact to school.
- Dock regulations – keep an eye on this since it is covered by ODNR but there are setbacks established that may need updated.
- Article 10 – review.
- Subdivision regulations for lot sizes and road frontage.

A discussion took place regarding various topics including how to avoid annexation (vacant farmland bordering a city/village is vulnerable to annexation); Flood plan impacts; and overall vision of what the township wants to look like because expansion from the west is inevitable.

Mr. Ours suggested the Commission review the multi-family unit regulations. A discussion took place.

Mr. Zierk suggested lot sizes be evaluated to reduce variance requests. A discussion took place.

Mr. Zierk inquired about flood plan management and impact to zoning. A discussion took place including water sources for township.

New Business: Commission agreed that they would prefer to have more communication between members and also with LTWP Trustees. Mrs. Lynch will let the Trustees know this and will also begin including the Commission on emails that were previously only being sent to the Chairman.

Old Business: Commission wants advice from the LCPO regarding whether or not the violation fee can commence when a violation notice is served upon property owner vs. once the case is heard in municipal court.

Zoning Inspector: None

Public Comment: N/A

Mr. Ours moved to adjourn the meeting @ 8:00 p.m.

Mr. Matthews seconded the motion.

Roll Call: 4 ayes

Minutes approved by:

Meeting Minutes recorded by Andrea M. Lynch, Zoning Clerk – 02-01-2024