

BURTON TOWNSHIP ZONING COMMISSION

14821 Rapids Road | Burton, Ohio 44021 | 440.834.1500

MEETING MINUTES

Date: November 27, 2017

Time: 7:00 p.m.

Location: Burton Township Administration Building

Purpose: Regular Meeting

CALL TO ORDER

Nick Gorris called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Members recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL

Commissioner(s) Present: Nick Gorris, Tim Snyder, Doug Klingman, Bill Finzel, 1st Alternate Dan Kotek, 2nd Alternate Joe Walkos. Dan Kotek will be filling in for absent member Tim Hess.

Absent: Tim Hess – excused.

Visitors: Jim Dvorak.

REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Minutes from October 23, 2017 regular meeting were reviewed. Bill Finzel made a motion to approve the minutes as written. The motion was seconded by Dan Kotek. All in favor. Motion carried.

CURRENT BUSINESS

Topics to discuss included Article IV in regards to agriculture control measures, continued from the October meeting. After considering Article XVII of the model zoning and researching covenants & restrictions of subdivisions, the Commission decided at this time no change was needed and not to limit the control. No change was made to Article IV.

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OLD BUSINESS: None.

NEW BUSINESS:

As of now, there is nothing in the pipeline to be discussed. The Commission agreed to follow up the Burton Township Trustees after the winter conference for any pertinent topics or issues.

Nick Gorris reminded the Commission that Tim Hess's and Joe Walkos's terms will be ending December 31, 2017. Joe Walkos stated that he is interested in renewing his term. Katie O'Neill will reach out to Tim Hess on his interest to renew his term, and communicate to Dan Whiting, Vice Chairman of Burton Township Trustees for the renewal of both members if applicable.

FUTURE BUSINESS:

Commission to review previous meeting minutes related to the definition of Building Frontage for next meeting. Review of Fence Requirements regarding above ground swimming pools was postponed till next meeting. Commission to receive minutes from Cooley Hearing #1370-17 once approved.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Jim Dvorak provided the Commission a memo from the Geauga Soil and Water Conservation District which sparked a short discussion. Dvorak states that as of October 20, 2017 the GSWCD will require a permit for any construction that disturbs over one (1) acre, or for construction occurring on any subplot within a subdivision. Gorris states that the current Burton Township Zoning Permit accommodates this request, by stating that the applicant check with the Geauga County Offices for any additional permits. Dvorak asks if Burton Township Zoning needs to charge a fee for this additional permit. Gorris answers that any County permit will be collected directly by the applicable County Department. Further discussion states that any townships within a MS4 zone will require a permit for an area of disturbance less than an acre and that MS4 zones have stricter

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guidelines to follow. It is stated that Burton Township is currently not in a MS4 zone. Commission decides to communicate to Rick Gruber, Zoning Inspector to remind applicants to get any additional permits if necessary.

NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be January 22, 2018 at 7:00 p.m. This will act as the 2018 organizational meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business, this meeting was adjourned at 7:40 p.m. by a motion from Tim Snyder seconded by Dan Kotek. The vote was unanimous.

Chairman, Nick Gorris Date

Secretary, Katie O'Neill Date