

LAFAYETTE TOWNSHIP ZONING COMMISSION
Regular Meeting/Organizational Meeting
6776 Wedgewood Road, Medina, Ohio
January 4, 2011 @ 7:00 p.m.

Board Organization

Zoning Secretary Marlene Oiler called the organizational meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Roll call indicated six members of the Zoning Commission were present: Karen Schoonover, Sherri Meinke, Russ Green, Dianne Wenslow, Jerry Cook (alternate) and Gary Kiszak (alternate). Mike Biskup was also present.

Nominations for the office of Chair for 2011 were opened. Russ Green nominated Karen Schoonover, seconded by Jerry Cook. The vote was unanimous and Karen Schoonover will be Chair for 2011.

Nominations for the office of Vice Chair for 2011 were opened. Karen Schoonover nominated Dianne Wenslow, seconded by Jerry Cook. The vote was unanimous and Dianne Wenslow will be Vice Chair for 2011.

The Zoning Commission 2011 Meeting Schedule and Rules of Procedure were reviewed. The regular Zoning Commission meeting date for 2011 will continue to be the first Tuesday of each month at 7:00 p.m. at the Lafayette Township Hall. Upon motion by Karen Schoonover, seconded by Dianne Wenslow, the vote was unanimous to approve the 2011 Meeting Schedule and Rules of Procedure.

Regular Meeting

Minutes

Upon motion by Karen Schoonover, duly seconded by Russ Green, the December 7, 2010, meeting minutes were unanimously approved as submitted and signed.

(Note: Zoning Commission member Matt Strehle arrived at the meeting at 7:08 p.m.)

Correspondence

The secretary distributed the 2010 Zoning Permit listing as prepared by the Zoning Inspector Alliss Strogin.

Zoning Inspector Report

None

New Business

Karen Schoonover announced that she had received a flyer from Akron University announcing another Planning & Zoning class to be held at the Medina County University Center on May 12 – June 9, 2011. More information concerning this class will be forthcoming.

Upon discussion it was decided that a letter of appreciation and thanks should be sent to Patrice Theken, director of the Medina County Planning Services Department. Patrice announced her plans to retire January 28, 2011.

Russ Green announced that the Lafayette Township Annual Benefit Dinner and Auction is being held on Saturday, January 29, 2011, at 6:30 p.m. at the Lafayette Township Hall. Tickets are \$20/person and he has tickets available for purchase. Donation of auction items is welcome from individuals, businesses and others. Proceeds will be donated to needy families in Lafayette Township (administered by the Lafayette United Methodist Church) and the Lafayette Youth Baseball League.

Old Business

Lafayette Township will hold an Open House at the Medina County University Center on February 1, 2011, to present the revision of the Lafayette Township Comprehensive Plan to the public. The trustees are preparing a press release and invitations will be sent out to the steering committee members, surrounding townships and other agency personnel who were involved in the revision. Due to the Open House being held on the Zoning Commission regular meeting night, the consensus was that the Zoning Commission regular meeting night would be changed to Tuesday, February 8, 2011, at 7:00 p.m.

It was announced that the 2010 Census data would not be available until late March 2011. At such time as it becomes available, it will be reviewed and appropriate additions and/or modifications will be made to the Comprehensive Plan at that time.

On the Zoning Commission agenda for the year will be the rewriting/revision of the Lafayette Township Zoning Resolution in order for it to conform to the revised Comprehensive Plan (once approved by the trustees). All Zoning Commission members felt strongly that professional assistance will be needed for the Zoning Resolution revision and this subject has already been brought to the attention of the trustees. Members will start to compile a listing of possible consultants and other information for this purpose.

Announcements

- Comprehensive Plan Open House, Tuesday, February 1, 2011, at 6:30 p.m. at the Medina County University Center.
- Zoning Commission Regular Meeting, Tuesday, February 8, 2011, at 7 p.m. at the township hall.

Adjournment

Upon motion by Karen Schoonover, duly seconded by Dianne Wenslow, it was unanimous that the meeting be adjourned. Adjourned at 7:55 p.m.

Marlene L. Oiler, Certified PP, PLS
Lafayette Township Zoning Commission Secretary

NOTE: Due to a scheduling conflict, the Comprehensive Plan Open House date was changed from February 1, 2011, to February 8, 2011. Accordingly the Zoning Commission's regular meeting date will be Tuesday, February 1, 2011. Because of bad weather the February 1st date had to be changed to Tuesday, February 15, 2011.

(Note: Minutes approved on 2/15/11.)