

Minutes of Zoning Commission

June 26, 2012

The regular meeting of the Bainbridge Township Zoning Commission was called to order by Mr. Charles Nichols, Vice Chairman at 7:00 P.M. Members present were: Mr. Howard Miller, Alternate; Mr. Steve Hunder; Mr. Ken Watson and Mr. Stephen Yingling. Mr. Donald Sheehy was absent.

Guests: Mr. Shane Wrench, Zoning Inspector

MINUTES

Mr. Yingling made a motion to approve the minutes of the May 29, 2012 meeting as written.

Mr. Watson seconded the motion that passed unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

Nuisance Properties

Mr. Wrench reported that there are some properties in the township that are deemed to be unkempt or nuisance properties where excessive vegetation exists. The properties noted were the former Northwoods Grille property located on Chillicothe Road, the former Kredo Hardware property which is currently vacant and the former Cahill property, both located on E. Washington Street. The Zoning Commission was in agreement that this falls under ORC 505.87 – Abatement, control, or removal of vegetation, garbage, refuse, and other debris. - (A) “A board of township trustees may provide for the abatement, control, or removal of vegetation, garbage, refuse, and other debris from land in the township, if the board determines that the owner’s maintenance of that vegetation, garbage, refuse, or other debris constitutes a nuisance.”

Proposed Funeral Home

Mr. Wrench stated that St. John Funeral Home needs another approval from the Board of Zoning Appeals for the addition of porte-cocheres, landscaping and lighting before proceeding.

Proposed Solar Panels

The Zoning Commission discussed the solar panels that the Kenston Board of Education would like to install in the front yard of the middle school. Mr. Wrench noted that the township zoning resolution does not recognize solar panels, they are not prohibited but they are also not permitted structures. He will be contacting the prosecutor’s office for a legal opinion and this issue will also be forwarded to Kendig Keast Collaborative.

OLD BUSINESS

Proposed Indoor Shooting Range

The Zoning Commission discussed the application for a proposed Indoor Shooting Range at Tanglewood Square Shopping Center that is pending before the Board of Zoning Appeals and reviewed an opinion from the Prosecutor's Office regarding same.

Zoning Resolution Update

The Zoning Commission discussed the recent group meetings regarding the Zoning Resolution Update along with the proposed meeting with Kendig Keast Collaborative to be held on July 17, 2012. The members did not feel it was necessary to hold the special meeting that was scheduled for July 10, 2012.

MEETING SCHEDULE

The Zoning Commission was in agreement to cancel the special meeting scheduled for July 10, 2012.

CORRESPONDENCE

1. Zoning Permits Reports, dated April 2012 and May 2012.
2. Bainbridge Township Board of Trustees Meeting Minutes, dated March 26, 2012; March 27, 2012; April 9, 2012; April 16, 2012; April 23, 2012; April 30, 2012; May 7, 2012; May 14, 2012; May 21, 2012.
3. Bainbridge Township Board of Zoning Appeals Meeting Minutes, dated May 17, 2012.

Since there was no further business to come before this meeting of the Bainbridge Township Zoning Commission, Mr. Yingling made a motion to adjourn.

Mr. Watson seconded the motion that passed unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 7:58 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda L. Zimmerman
Zoning Secretary

Charles Nichols, Vice Chairman

Date Approved: July 31, 2012