Munson Township Zoning Commission Meeting

Minutes of October 22, 2020

Kurtis Taylor called the meeting to order at 6:00pm with, Nick Christie, Adriano Fiucci, Ed Hren and Glen Peck present via Zoom electronic teleconference. Due to the ongoing viral pandemic, the meeting was held without any Zoning Commission members located in the same physical space. The meeting was open to the public, with the access link posted on the Munson Township website, conducted lawfully, in accordance with conditions established by the Ohio legislature's Substitute Amended House Bill 197. Also present was Zoning Inspector James Herringshaw and Secretary Julie Johnston along with Trustee Andy Bushman. The Pledge of Allegiance was said.

Glen Peck was sworn in to fill the remaining term of Dennis Medica's through 2022.

Ed Hren moved and Nick Christie seconded to approve the minutes of August 20, 2020 as written. Motion carried, 4-0.

Zoning Report

Zoning Inspector Jim Herringshaw reviewed some cases heard before the Board of Zoning Appeals on October 21, 2020. University Hospitals is looking to consolidate parcels on the Munson Township and Claridon Township property line with 2.5 (two and one-half) structures on 5 (five) parcels which needs a variance. It passed unanimously and is on the discussion list for possible Zoning Resolution changes since some of the regulations are out of date. Another case heard was a resident who does not want a fence around their in-ground pool because of aesthetics but would like to install a solar cover with the latest technology instead. In attendance was Todd Petersen to speak on the residents behalf, along with a few residents with only one with a concern. The Board passed this unanimously since the home is secluded and there is limited space with a downward slope.

The Board discussed possible Zoning Resolution changes pertaining to the following sections: Section 520 – (Home Occupations) in particular, c., Section 503 – (Principal Structures Per Lot) as it relates to Section 409 (Medical Use District), Section 526.2 – (Free Standing Solar Energy Panels and Arrays) in regard to fencing being required or not and the distance allowed from the structure, Sections 702.1, 703.1, 704.1 and 704.2 – having to do with nonconforming structures and uses of land, Section 521 – (General Requirements For Parking) in particular e. and k. and possibly Section 519.3 (Temporary Storage Containers).

Other Business

The next meeting will be held on Thursday, November 19, 2020 at 6pm.

Adriano Fiucci moved and Nick Christie seconded to close the meeting at 7:13pm. Motion carried, 5-0.

Nick Christie, Acting Chair

Julie Johnston, Secretary