Goshen Township Zoning Commission

Regular Meeting Minutes from October 07, 2014

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Miller at 7:00 P.M.

Roll Call: Mr. Lewis, Mr. Seyfried, Mrs. Perkins, Mr. Miller, and Mr. Corcoran were all present. Mr. Risk was absent. (Mr. Corcoran is the alternate and will vote on any issues presented)

The Mission Statement was read by Mrs. Perkins.

Mr. Corcoran made a motion to adopt the agenda, second by Mrs. Perkins; all voted yes.

Mr. Lewis made a motion to approve the minutes from the regular meeting held on September. 02, 2014; second by Mr. Seyfried; all voted yes except Mr. Corcoran who abstained.

Mr. Corcoran made a motion to approve the minutes from the special meeting held on September. 09, 2014; second by Mrs. Perkins; all voted yes except Mr. Lewis who abstained.

New Business

Mr. Havis Gabbard of 7082 Goshen Road spoke to the board regarding a problem with livestock being allowed in residential zoned properties. He indicated that a neighbor had built a hog pen along his drive. He is trying to sell his property but he believes the hog pen has devalued it. He believes that the zoning regulations that allow livestock on 1 acre tracts are outdated and should be changed to be allowed only on larger parcels. He is asking the Zoning Commission to reconsider allowing livestock on 1 acre parcels and within 100 ft. of any residence. After discussion it was determined that the current Zoning Regulations could not offer any relief to Mr. Gabbard and any change would not affect his neighbor because he would be allowed to continue under the old regulations.

Mrs. Phyllis Gabbard also asked if there were property line regulations as it pertains to structures that would have setback issues. After discussion it was determined that hog pens are not regulated structures subject to the Zoning Regulations.

There was also discussion regarding the different roles of the Zoning Commission and the Board of Zoning Appeals.

There was also discussion of how to get the Zoning Amendments recorded and added to the Zoning Resolution Book in a timely fashion. Amendments have not been added for several years.

Old Business

1) There was no update from Compass Point Planning regarding the zoning resolution project. Mr. Lutz was asked to contact Mrs. Moeller for an update.

Public Portion

None

A motion to adjourn was made by Mr. Corcoran at 7:45 P.M., second by Mr. Seyfried; All voted yes.

Next regular meeting of the GTZC will occur at 7:00 P.M. on November 04, 2014.

These meeting minutes were authored by Eric Lutz, Zoning Commission Secretary, on October 09, 2014, and were sent by e-mail to the GTZC for review, and to the Goshen Township Trustees for consideration and review the same date.

Please notify Eric Lutz of any possible errors or omissions to the minutes at elutz@cinci.rr.com for correction.

Mr. Elben Miller, Chairman, GTZC

Cheryl Allgeyer, Riscal Officer