

Held at 7:30 p.m. at the Waterville Township Hall on July 20, 2015

OFFICIALS:

Chairman Glenn A. Banas - Present
 Vice-Chairman Thomas R. Wardell - Present
 Member Keith A. Moosman - Present
 Member Rich Hertzfeld - Present
 Member William J. Burkett - Present
 Property Standards/Assistant Inspector James E. Fischer - Present
 Zoning Inspector Eric H. Gay - Present
 Fiscal Officer/Zoning Secretary Kay Ann Robertson - Present

GUESTS:

Trustee Chairman A. Leslie Disher, Whitehouse, Ohio
 Trustee Vice-Chairman Karen M. Schneider, Whitehouse, Ohio

ROLL CALL:

Zoning Secretary Kay Ann Robertson called the roll and all five (5) commission members were present: Glenn A. Banas, Thomas R. Wardell, Keith A. Moosman, Rich Hertzfeld and William J. Burkett.

MINUTES:

The minutes for the June 15, 2015 meeting had been prepared by the Zoning Secretary Kay Ann Robertson and sent to each zoning commission member prior to the meeting date:

Keith A. Moosman made a motion to dispense with the reading of the minutes for the June 15th meeting and to approve the minutes with no additions, deletions and/or corrections. Seconded by Rich Hertzfeld.

Motion Carried.

CORRESPONDENCE:

None.

OLD BUSINESS:

None.

NEW BUSINESS:

None.

ZONING INSPECTOR'S REPORT:

- 1) Sixteen (16) permits to date:
 - a. Permit #2015-15 - Darcy Schwind, 9640 Waterville-Swanton Road - Garage.
 - b. Permit #2015-16 - Robert Anderson, 10918 Springbrook Court - Solar system.
- 2) Robert Anderson was issued a permit for a solar electric system even though the township does not require one - he needed it to get county permits.

PROPERTY STANDARDS OFFICER'S REPORT:

- 1) Ed Schmakel, 10112 Neapolis-Waterville Road called concerning the possibility of building a second residence on his property. It would require a lot split but he does not have enough frontage to do that.
- 2) Susan Wells lives on Neapolis-Waterville Road and owns three acres and called Mr. Fischer & wondered if she could have animals and how many.
- 3) Teri and James Bersee, 9220 Noward Road, contacted Mr. Fischer concerning the weeds overgrowing the Bluebird Railroad abutting their property. Mr. Fischer sent a letter to the Bluebird and it came back. He then contacted the Museum in Grand Rapids and they told him where they mail the utility bills and he'll try a P.O. Box number they gave him.

COMMENTS:

Karen Schneider: Last zoning meeting, there was some discussion as to the proposed compressor station for Waterville Township. Trustee Schneider stated that she had arranged a meeting with the design and planning personnel from Nexis. It will be held July 23rd at 9:30 am at the First Presbyterian Church next door. Ms Schneider had spoken with a gentleman from the firm of Marshall & Melhorn and he felt the township's best recourse would be through zoning. The township trustees did approve the hiring of John Widmer and he has begun drafting zoning text concerning the compressor station.

Keith Moosman: Member Moosman asked if a land owner who is selling the land could put deed restrictions on the property if the township was not able to put restrictions through zoning.

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Karen Schneider: Trustee Schneider said that she contacted the land owner of the property that Nexis wants to build the compressor station; however, that was very early on in the process and she decided to go in a different direction and did not pursue it. She feels that Nexis will try to be a good neighbor. We have an idea of what we would like to see in the way of compressor stations but we will try to minimize the situation. Trustee Schneider also attended a meeting of Kinder-Morgan personnel regarding another pipeline planned for this area. The surveying is already complete; however, no compressor station is in their plans. Solicitor Dawn Sanderson has a motion to intervene prepared and ready to go.

Karen Schneider: Trustee Schneider's next topic for discussion was complaints of noise at "The Stables" on Obee Road. Doors were open at both ends of the building which allowed the music to carry. She says that she has received several calls.

Tom Wardell: Member Wardell said that he had a call from someone living near "The Stables" who mentioned loud noise but the lady was not willing to contact the owner, Duke Wheeler. Mr. Wardell thought the noise issue was sometime near Memorial Day.

DISCUSSION:

Chairman Glenn Banas's first thought was to have Standards Officer Jim Fischer take a look at the situation, but he felt we needed to have proof that there was a noise problem. Ms. Schneider said that there were two (2) police reports on file. Member Bill Burkett said we needed to make sure he was violating his Special Use Permit. It was the consensus of the commission that it would be best to invite Duke Wheeler to attend the August 17th meeting and review his Special Use Permit for "The Stables."

Keith A. Moosman made a motion to review the Special Use Permit for "The Stables" and invite Duke Wheeler to attend. Review to be at the next regularly scheduled meeting on August 17, 2015 at 7:30 pm. Seconded by Rich Hertzfeld.

Motion Carried.

Leslie Disher: Trustee Disher mentioned that he was in receipt of a letter from the Whitehouse Fire Chief but it did not concern the noise issue. It was his opinion that in regards to noise, this commission should review the Special Use Permit and make a recommendation to the trustees.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business to be brought before the zoning commission, Rich Hertzfeld made a motion to adjourn. Seconded by Keith A. Moosman.

Motion Carried.

Adjourned at 8:40 p.m.

Attest: Kay Ann Robertson

Members: [Signatures]