

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE CHESTER TOWNSHIP ZONING COMMISSION HELD WEDNESDAY, MARCH 3, 2010, IN THE TOWN HALL MEETING ROOM AT 7:00 P.M.

Chair Muehling called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Zoning Commissioners present: Chair Muehling, Aster, Grimm, Short, Horn.

There were three members of the public present: Mr. and Mrs. Cotman and Ferdl Aster.

Discussion of the minutes dated January 6, 2010. Aster moved to approve the minutes dated January 6, 2010, as presented. Grimm seconded. No discussion. Vote: Unanimous. Motion passed.

Discussion of the minutes dated January 13, 2010. Aster moved to approve the minutes dated January 13, 2010, as amended. Short seconded. No discussion. Vote: Unanimous. Motion passed.

Question raised by Aster regarding Chapter 519 of the ORC, which states the business and industrial districts. Should the Zoning Resolution be changed to reference a business district instead of commercial?

Chair Muehling will check with legal counsel regarding this possible change to the Zoning Resolution from the designation commercial district to business district.

Discussion of the minutes dated February 3, 2010. Horn moved to approve the minutes dated February 3, 2010, as amended. Grimm seconded. No discussion. Vote: Unanimous. Motion passed.

Discussion of the minutes dated February 17, 2010. Aster moved to approve the minutes dated February 17, 2010, as amended. Short seconded. No discussion. Vote: Unanimous with Grimm abstaining since she was not present at the February 17, 2010, meeting. Motion passed.

Updating of the Land use Plan. Chair Muehling said the maps only reflect publicly owned parkland. Eddy's Fruit Farm property is not included since it is privately owned. Review of the map by the Zoning Commissioners as follows: Patterson's; the 80+ acres which the Township owns; the property which the township owns at the corner of Mulberry Road and SR 306, which is designated as park property; property the Geauga County Commissioners own; the Sunnybrook property, which is passive; the Metzenbaum Park, which is a passive park; and the Chester School property, which is passive in the front and active in the back of the property. The Township Park is considered an active park.

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Mr. and Mrs. Cotman joined the Zoning Commission in this review of the updated map of passive and active parks.

Chair Muehling said the County would update the information on the map. The information will now go to the Board of Trustees for acceptance. A page-by-page review of the Land Use Plan will then be done after the changes have been made to the map.

Mrs. Cotman asked if the Zoning Commission knew what an environmentally sensitive land means.

Chair Muehling said she will obtain a definition of environmentally sensitive land from the County. Note: the term "environmentally sensitive land" is used on the updated map provided by the County.

Mrs. Cotman asked the Zoning Commission the status of the sign amendment.


Chair Muehling said the Board of Trustees received the information today via the Zoning Commission Secretary to the Fiscal Officer.

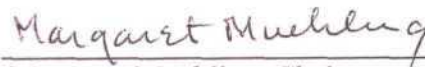
There being no further business before the Zoning Commission, Chair Muehling adjourned the meeting at 7:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

3-17-10

Approval Date


Mary Lou Fende, Secretary


Margaret Muehling, Chair

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