

Westfield Township Zoning Commission  
Meeting Minutes of August 13, 2013

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 by Chairman Heather Sturdevant. Members in attendance: Sue Brewer, Greg Brezina, Scott Anderson, Jill Kemp, Heather Sturdevant and zoning secretary Sherry Clarkson. Member absent: Dennis Hoops. Guests in attendance: Matt Witmer, Zoning Inspector, Ron Oiler, Trustee and Margaret & Frank Kaur, residents of the township.

Minutes of Meeting June 25, 2013

A copy of the minutes was presented to members, although the minutes were already approved, they were presented again for an upcoming meeting with Northcoast Soccer.

Minutes of the Meeting July 9, 2013

Chairman Sturdevant asked if there were any changes/corrections to the minutes of the meeting on July 9, 2013. **There being none Chairman Sturdevant asked for a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Such motion was made by Jill Kemp and a second to the motion was made by Scott Anderson. A roll call was made: Sue Brewer-aye, Greg Brezina-aye, Scott Anderson-aye, Jill Kemp-aye, and Heather Sturdevant-aye. The motion carries.**

Highway Commercial Changes

Chairman Sturdevant advised information was submitted to Planning Services on June 12<sup>th</sup>. Secretary Clarkson advised she even emailed the zoning regulations to Cheryl Heinly at the Planning Commission and we are on the agenda for September 4<sup>th</sup>. Chairman Sturdevant advised she will be checking with Bill Thorne as a public hearing was already held and no changes were made. Chairman Sturdevant advised if changes are not made after receipt of the staff review, she wants to make sure we can vote on them and send on to the trustees.

Chairman Sturdevant advised Bill Thorne could not be at the meeting tonight and with that in mind a meeting is being set up for the August 20<sup>th</sup> to discuss Northcoast Soccer (Tuesday). The meeting should be short as it is to vote on the site plan as presented. **A motion was made by Chairman Sturdevant to set a special meeting for Site Plan Review for Northcoast Soccer for Tuesday, August 20<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 pm. A second to the motion was made by Jill Kemp. A roll call was taken as follows: Sue Brewer-aye, Greg Brezina-aye, Jill Kemp-aye, Scott Anderson-aye and Heather Sturdevant-aye. The motion passes.**

Chairman Sturdevant asked if the changes to #22 (Section 600) in the current zoning regulations were sent to Planning Services. Secretary Clarkson advised that on June 12<sup>th</sup> both items were sent to Planning Services for staff reviews, as well as she emailed the zoning regulations pertaining to this.

Other Items

Trustee Ron Oiler advised a text change has been made by the Trustees regarding driveways and should be coming before the zoning commission for review/action. Chairman Sturdevant advised nothing has been received to date and asked if there was a specific time date set for action by the board. Mr. Oiler advised it may be brought before the board at the September meeting. Chairman Sturdevant advised the trustees are looking at allowing more than one driveway to a residence. Right now we only allow one entrance per property. This would be allowing more than one entrance. If there have been some studies done on safety, Chairman Sturdevant asked Trustee Oiler if these will be made available to the zoning commission. Trustee Oiler advised the state and county presently only allow one entrance, on township roads the zoning commission can overrule this. Our current zoning only allows one, as per Article V, Vehicles, Parking and Driveways, Section 506 Entrance and Exits.

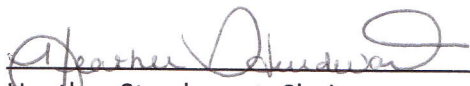
Chairman Sturdevant asked members if there was anything in the book that we want to address in the future. Greg Brezina advised he saw something in the paper regarding AFLAC being brought before the township. Trustee Oiler advised that is only for full time employees of a township, which does not pertain to the zoning commission.

Public Participation

Joe Pickett of 6251 Buffham Road (who resides in a brown house - on the low side of the hill) addressed the board with reference to being flooded in his yard after the last large rainfall. He advised ever since the township put in a catch basin on the other side of the road 4 years ago, he has had tires, logs and everything in his yard as his culvert has backed up, making his yard a large catch basin for everything coming down the road. The first time this occurred Mr. Pickett advised he made Lee Evans aware of this. Chairman Sturdevant advised that Mr. Pickett needs to bring his problem before the Trustees at their meetings held the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday of each month.

With no other discussion, **a motion to adjourn was made by Chairman Sturdevant and a second to the motion was made by Jill Kemp. All members were in favor.** The meeting was adjourned at 7:45 pm.

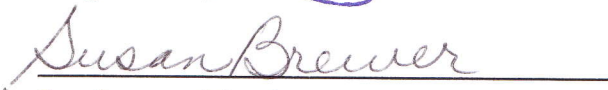
Respectfully submitted,  
Sherry Clarkson, Secretary

  
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Heather Sturdevant, Chairman

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Greg Brezina, Co Chairman

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Sue Brewer, Member

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Dennis Hoops, Alternate

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