## MILLCREEK TOWNSHIP ZONING COMMISSION

## **REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**

DATE & TIME: Thursday, December 15, 2011 @ 7:00 p.m.

LOCATION: Millcreek Township Hall, 10420 Watkins Road, Marysville Ohio 43040

**LEGAL NOTICE:** The Millcreek Township Zoning Commission will hold a regular business meeting on the third Thursday of each month for 2011. All meetings begin at 7:00 pm and are held at the Millcreek Township hall, located at 10420 Watkins Road, Marysville, OH 43040. The public is invited to attend.

CALL TO ORDER: Meeting called to order by Zoning Commission Chair Joni Orders at 7:07 p.m.

ROLL CALL: Zoning Administrator Joe Clase called the roll of members present.

**Zoning Commission Present:** 

Joni Orders, Chair

Freeman Troyer, Vice Chair

Greg Wisniewski

**Zoning Commission Absent:** 

Jim Lawrenz

Kenny Coakley, Alternate

Others Present:

Joe Clase, Zoning Administrator

Bill Lynch, *Trustee* 

**MINUTES REVIEW & APPROVAL:** The board reviewed minutes from September 2011. Freeman Troyer made a motion to approve minutes from the September 15, 2011 meeting, as presented. Greg Wisniewski seconded the motion. All voted in favor of the motion and the motion carried.

CITIZENS' COMMENTS: Joe Clase noted that he has been working with resident volunteers to develop a draft Park & Activities Plan for the Township. This effort was initiated as a result of responses to the 2011 Millcreek Township Community Survey. He presented a draft copy of the plan and asked for comments. Bill Lynch stated with the elimination of the Local Government Fund, tangible personal property tax and other methods of funding general operations of the Township, it is important to outline alternative methods of funding any recommended improvements. Many comments were shared regarding activities that may be popular within the Township. Joe Clase asked that members review the draft materials and share comments through e-mail prior to the next Zoning Commission meeting where he will bring a revised plan and discuss submission of a grant application to begin implementing elements of the plan.

TRUSTEES' COMMENTS: Bill Lynch informed members that the Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission has published a draft map outlining Primary Development Areas, Primary Conservation Areas and Primary Agricultural Areas on which they are seeking public comment. This research is part of the Upper Scioto Watershed Balanced Growth Plan area. He mentioned that these maps will not change the adopted land use plan or zoning map, but could help in justifying use of various land use tools available to the Township. The Trustees would like to hold a joint public meeting with the Zoning Commission on Thursday, January 19, 2012 at 7:00 p.m. to review and offer comments back to the Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission.

**ZONING ADMINISTRATOR REPORT / COMMENTS:** Joe Clase discussed his activities since September 2011.

**OLD BUSINESS:** Joe Clase distributed a draft copy of draft wind turbine regulations and standards for submissions of impact fee statements. He stated that this draft copy incorporates all prior discussion. No amendments were offered. Joni Orders suggested that the Zoning Commission consider initiating the amendments at their meeting in January.

**NEW BUSINESS:** None.

**NEXT MONTHLY MEETING:** Greg Wisniewski motioned to hold a joint meeting with the Board of Trustees at 7:00 p.m. on January 19, 2012 to 7:00 p.m. followed by the Zoning Commission's reorganization meeting. Freeman Troyer seconded the motion. All voted in favor of the motion and the motion carried. Joni Orders announced the next meeting will be Thursday, January 19, 2012 at 7:00 p.m. at the Township Hall. Joe Clase stated that he would ensure the meeting is advertised.

**ADJOURNMENT:** Greg Wisniewski made a motion to adjourn the regular meeting. Freeman Troyer seconded the motion. All voted in favor of the motion and the motion carried. Joni Orders announced the meeting to be adjourned at 8:47 p.m.

PREPARED BY:

Joe Clase, Zoning Administrator

ATTEST:

Johi Orders, Zoning Commission Chair

APPROVED:

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