

MILLCREEK TOWNSHIP ZONING COMMISSION

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

DATE & TIME: Wednesday, February 20, 2013 @ 7:00 p.m.

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

LEGAL NOTICE(S): The Millcreek Township Zoning Commission will hold a regular business meeting on the third Wednesday of each month for 2012, except April and October will be held on the second Wednesday of the month. The meeting dates are as follows: 2/20/13, 3/20/13, 4/10/13, 5/15/13, 6/19/13, 7/17/13, 8/21/13, 9/18/13, 10/9/13, 11/20/13 and 12/18/13. All meetings begin at 7:00 p.m. and are held at the Millcreek Township Hall, located at 10420 Watkins Road, Marysville, Ohio 43040. The public is invited to attend.

CALL TO ORDER: Meeting called to order by Zoning Commission Chair Joni Orders at 7:05 p.m.

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

Zoning Commission Present:

Jim Lawrenz
Joni Orders
Greg Wisniewski
Jocelin Boutet
Freeman Troyer
Kevin Bryant, *Alternate*

Absent Members: *None*

Others Present:

Joe Clase, *Zoning Administrator*
Keith Conroy, *Trustee*

MINUTES REVIEW & APPROVAL: The following actions were taken:

- Greg made a motion to approve the minutes of December 19, 2012 with a grammatical correction in the review of minutes. Jocelin Boutet seconded the motion. All voted in favor and the motion carried.
- Greg made a motion to approve the minutes of January 16, 2013 as presented. Jocelin Boutet seconded the motion. All voted in favor and the motion carried.

CITIZENS' COMMENTS: None

ZONING ADMINISTRATOR REPORT / COMMENTS: Joe Clase reviewed activities included in his January 2013 monthly reports.

TRUSTEES' COMMENTS: Keith Conroy noted that the Trustees are awaiting final grant approval, but expect to be constructing fitness equipment in the Township Park thanks to a NatureWorks grant from the Ohio Department of Natural Resources. The Trustees are looking to update the township website with more information and may potentially add some other functions to the site, such as a community calendar. The township is also participating in a county-wide trail planning effort being spearheaded by

the Union County Chamber of Commerce.

OLD BUSINESS: Joe Clase distributed updated copies of the sign regulation amendments previously discussed. Joni Orders stated that she believes the bill board regulations in Section 11050H need to be addressed, including maximum permitted size and that setbacks place them too close to other properties. Keith Conroy inquired why churches are permitted to have billboards. Joe Clase stated that the Religious Land Use and Institutionalized Persons Act (RELUIPA) may require them to be permitted, but that the Prosecutor should be able to offer guidance on that issue.

Joni Orders stated that it would make ^{sense} since to list prohibited signs first, so that it is clear what is not allowed. Joe Clase stated that it would be difficult to reorganize, because the section states signs not permitted are prohibited. Greg Wisniewski stated that graphics should go with relevant text. Joni Orders stated that the text "subdivision name" should be removed from Figure 6. Jim Lawrenz stated that permitting digital signage as a newer technology could help make doing business in the township more appealing. Jim Lawrenz stated that it would be good for business to stay with current technology. Greg Wisniewski stated brightness should be a concern. Keith asked Joe Clase to look into standards for digital signs.

NEW BUSINESS: The Zoning Commission recommended discussing fueling stations in March.

NEXT MONTHLY MEETING: Joni Orders announced the next meeting will be Wednesday, March 20, 2013 at 7:00 p.m. at the Township Hall.

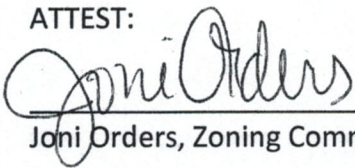
ADJOURNMENT: Greg Wisniewski made a motion to adjourn the regular meeting. Freeman Troyer seconded the motion. All voted in favor of the motion and the motion carried. Joni Orders announced the meeting to be adjourned at 8:12 p.m.

PREPARED BY:



Joe Clase, Zoning Administrator

ATTEST:



Joni Orders, Zoning Commission Chair

APPROVED:

4/10/2013
Date