## MILLCREEK TOWNSHIP ZONING COMMISSION

## **REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**

**DATE & TIME:** Wednesday, March 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 Trover

Kevin Bryant, Alternate

Absent Members:

None

Others Present:

Joe Clase, Zoning Administrator

**MINUTES REVIEW & APPROVAL: None** 

**CITIZENS' COMMENTS: None** 

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

**TRUSTEES' COMMENTS:** None

**OLD BUSINESS:** Joe Clase asked the board to revisit the signage regulation changes. Joe Clase stated that he hadn't gotten a legal opinion regarding the township's legal requirement to allow billboards. It was discussed that such an opinion could be sought as part of the review process from the Prosecutor's Office.

Joe Clase reviewed a webinar that was presented by Alan C. Weinstein from the Cleveland State University on Regulating Digital Signs and Billboards. It was discussed that there is a general lack of local regulations. The Ohio Department of Transportation has some very conservative standards along certain highways, but not U.S. 33. It was discussed that this issue could be addressed in the future.

Joe Clase stated that he had updated the figures in the sign regulations. Joni Orders asked the board to consider initiating amendments for a public hearing in May.

Greg Wisniewski made a motion to initiate presented amendments to Article XI and to schedule a public hearing on Wednesday, May 15, 2013 at 7:00 p.m. followed by the board's regular meeting. Kevin Bryant seconded the motion. All voted in favor of the motion and the motion carried.

**NEW BUSINESS:** Joe Clase distributed the following:

- A Fact Sheet from the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency entitled "Gasoline Dispensing Facilities: Know Your EPA Regulations."
- An Environmental Fact Sheet from the New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services that Kevin Bryant had brought entitled "Preventing Groundwater Contamination at Gas Stations – What Municipalities and Water Suppliers Can Do".

The board agreed they would discuss the matter further in April.

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

**ADJOURNMENT:** Jocelin Boutet made a motion to adjourn the regular meeting. Greg Wisniewski seconded the motion. All voted in favor of the motion and the motion carried. Joni Orders announced the meeting to be adjourned at 8:07 p.m.

PREPARED BY:

Joe Clase, Zoning Administrator

ATTEST:

Joni Orders, Zoning Commission Chair

APPROVED:

Date