

**MILLCREEK TOWNSHIP ZONING COMMISSION**  
**UNION COUNTY, OHIO**  
**RESOLUTION No. 2021-01**

The Millcreek Township Zoning Commission (the "Commission") met in regular session on January 19, 2021, at the Millcreek Township Hall, 10420 Watkins Road, Marysville, Ohio, with the follow members present: Joni Orders, Kevin Bryant, Jim Lawrenz, Freeman Troyer

Joni Orders introduced this resolution and moved its passage:

A RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING POLICIES AND PROCEDURES FOR REMOTE  
PARTICIPATION IN MEETINGS AND HEARINGS DURING THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC  
EMERGENCY

Whereas, despite the efforts, precautions, and actions of people in our community and across the State, the COVID-19 virus continues as a presence to be reckoned with in our community; and

WHEREAS, Governor DeWine signed Sub. H.B. 404 on Monday, November 23, 2020; and

WHEREAS, the Commission is mindful of the need to observe the guidance from Stephanie McCloud, Director of the Ohio Department of Public Health, Governor Mike DeWine, and the federal Centers for Disease Control and Prevention to reduce the spread of the COVID-19 virus by practicing physical distancing and avoiding nonfamily gatherings while concurrently fulfilling the duties of township trustees ; and

WHEREAS, Section 1 of Sub.H.B. No. 404 amends Section 12 of Am.Sub.H.B No. 197 of the 133<sup>rd</sup> General Assembly to extend the period of limited relief from the "in person" requirements of R.C. §121.22(C) if the public body, such as this Commission, meets certain conditions; and

WHEREAS the Commission determines that it is in the public interest for the Millcreek Township Zoning Commission, Union County, Ohio, to implement the extended authority to allow its members and the public to participate in public meetings and hearings by remote participation as authorized by Section 1 of Sub.H.B. No. 404;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MEMBERS OF THE MILLCREEK TOWNSHIP ZONING COMMISSION, UNION COUNTY, OHIO THAT:

Section 1. Until the earlier of July 1, 2021 or further resolution by this Commission, any member of the Commission who is unable to participate in person due to quarantine or isolation for COVID-19 or other infectious illness may participate in any meeting or hearing conducted by the Commission utilizing remote participation through the then currently designated electronic technology.

Section 2. The chair shall designate the electronic technology for such meetings and hearings as required

Section 3. From the date of this Resolution until the earlier of July 1, 2021 or further resolution of this Commission, meetings of the Commission in which remote participation will be used shall take place on the regular schedule and at the regular time, unless the meeting is a special meeting; in such case the meeting shall take place at the previously announced date and time for the special meeting; the chair of the Commission, or the chair's designee, shall give notice that the Commission will use Remote Participation for its meetings and hearings. Such notice shall include posting on the Millcreek Township website (<http://millcreektwpohio.us/>); posting a notice in the exterior display cabinet at the Township Hall.

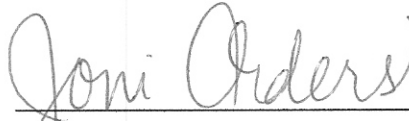
Section 4. When any Commission member is participating by Remote Participation, an affirmative vote by the member on any matter submitted to the Commission for a vote includes that member's consent and authorization for the Secretary to affix the member's electronic signature to the resolution or other matter if it is adopted by the Commission.

Section 6. There shall not be more than one member participating remotely from the same location.

Section 7. The Commission finds and determines that all of its formal actions concerning and relating to adopting this Resolution occurred in an open meeting of this Commission under provisions of Am.Sub.H.B. No. 197, Section 12, and that all deliberations of this Commission that resulted in such formal action were in meetings open to the public and in compliance with all legal requirements including Revised Code §121.22.

Kevin Bryant seconded the motion and after discussion, the chair called a roll call vote, and the results were:

Joni Orders	<b>Yea</b>	No	
Jim Lawrenz	<b>Yea</b>	No	
Eryn Staats	Yea	No	ABSENT
Kevin Bryant	<b>Yea</b>	No	
Tim Belmonte	Yea	No	ABSENT
Freeman Troyer	<b>Yea</b>	No	

  
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Joni Orders, Chair

Date: January 19, 2021

Ron Todd  
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Secretary

### **Secretary's Certification**

I certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the Commission's Resolution  
2021-01 adopted on January 19, 2021.

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Secretary

Date: \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_