

Millcreek Township Zoning Commission

Regular Meeting – Minutes

Tuesday, October 17, 2023 7:00pm

Present: Joni Orders, Chair Freeman Troyer Eryn Staats Maryann Sweeney

Absent: Kevin Bryant Jim Lawrenz Tim Belmonte

Others Present: Ron Todd, Zoning Administrator Keith Conroy, Trustee

Joni Orders called the meeting to order at 7:05 pm and called for attendance roll.

Minutes Review & Approval: 08/15/2023 – Regular Meeting 09/12/2023 – Work Session
09/19/2023 – Regular Meeting

Copies of minutes were not available for review and approval and will be prioritized for timely review and approval at the next regular meeting.

Citizen Comments: No citizens present / No comments

Trustee Comments: Keith Conroy updated those present on the following topics:

- 1) There will be a public meeting of the Mill Creek Log Jam Committee tomorrow evening at 7:00 pm in the Millcreek Township Hall. The work group is moving forward with clean-up through various government funding programs. Once the initial clean-up work is complete, which will take several years, ongoing maintenance will be required to prevent future jams.
- 2) Keith recently attended a presentation for Licking County by Jamie Green of Planning Next, who worked with Millcreek Twp to do the 2017 LUGP update. The workshop of examining certain portions of the Zoning Resolution might be beneficial here. It could be meeting for BZA and invite Jerome Township, similar to the invitation from Jerome to Millcreek in 2018.

Zoning Administrator Report: Ron Todd updated those present on the following matters:

- 1) Mailing prepared for 44 property affected owners along US 42 and US 33 corridors has been mailed for the 11/09/2023 public information meeting. Ron will provide a list of those receiving the mailing to Trustees, Fiscal Officer and Zoning Commission.
- 2) Ron has the new Official Zoning Map ready for Trustees to sign at the November regular meeting. Once signed, the copies will be distributed as required to Union County Recorder, LUC and for display within the Township. He will ensure there is digital image to cast during the 11/09/2023 special public meeting.
- 3) Continues to work on data migration into the SharePoint online storage.

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Unfinished Business:

- Chapter 8 – Innovation Corridor Overlay Districts @ US-33 & US-42
 - Special Public Information meeting for the public to learn about overlay districts has been set for Thursday 11/09/2023 7:00 pm at Millcreek Township Hall. Dates confirmed and mailings sent.
- Chapter 14 – Alternative Energy: Solar Energy Updates to recommended language from LUC
 - Eryn Staats moved to hold a public hearing to consider the recommended changes to Sections 14200 - 14202 regarding Small Solar Energy Projects at 7:00 pm on Tuesday November 21, 2023. Maryann Sweeney seconded the motion. All voted in favor.
- Chapter 4 – Rezoning, Hearings, Permits, CUPs & Variances (Revision #3)
- Chapter 6 – District Regulations
- Chapter 5 – Supplemental District Regulations
 - Setback definitions – Create an illustration and/or Quick Reference Guide
 - Noxious weeds enforcement / Natural grasses & wildflowers
- Chapter 7 – Planned Unit Districts (Reformatting & Consolidation)
- Progress Check on Annual Goals & Schedule
- Joint Meeting with the BZA - we will work to find a mutually agreeable date for both groups in 2024 to review the Zoning Resolution and any possible areas that need additional work.

New Business:

There was no new business.

Next Meeting & Adjourn:

Informational Meeting: Innovation Corridor Overlay District 11/09/2023 7:00 pm
Public Hearing on Solar Energy updates: Tuesday November 21, 2023, 7:00 pm
Regular Meeting: Tuesday, November 21, 2023, following public hearing.

Eryn Staats moved to adjourn the meeting. Maryann Sweeney seconded the motion. All voted in favor and Joni Orders declared the meeting to be adjourned at 7:36 pm.

Prepared By: _____
Joni Orders, Meeting Clerk Date

Accepted By: _____
Meeting Chair / Vice Chair Date