



Village of Galena ZONING AND PLANNING COMMISSION

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF APRIL 20, 2011

The Zoning and Planning Commission of the Village of Galena met on Wednesday April 20, 2011 in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Building at 9 West Columbus Street, Galena, Ohio. Present were members; President Tom Hopper, Nancy Feole, Stan Swisher and Mark Brooks. Also present was Zoning Inspector Scott Jamison, Zoning Clerk Sally Hopper and visitors Diana Butts, Steve Mazzi and Zach Hopper. Member Mike Bragalone was absent. The meeting was officially called to order at 7:02 PM.

Copies of the minutes from the last meeting of January 19, 2011 had been distributed to all members by the Clerk. The February 16 and March 16 meetings had been cancelled due to lack of business. A motion to approve the minutes, as presented, was made by Nancy Feole, seconded by Mark Brooks and passed unanimously.

Ms. Diana Butts, School Board President, and Mr. Steve Mazzi, Superintendent, of the Big Walnut Local School District were on hand to meet the Commission and express their wish to be involved in future planning in cooperation with the Village. They would like to be in at the early stages of discussion on future development so that they can plan for the most efficient operation of the school district. The Commission explained how the zoning process works and how the school district could fit into that process. Both sides felt increased participation by the school district in future planning would be advantageous.

A discussion was held on Homewood Corporation's (Trinity Homes) request for a three year extension, due to current economic conditions, of an approved development plan for The Estates at Blackhawk Subdivision Section 3, which is now to be known as Section D. The Commission felt that the request was appropriate and in line with similar requests for developments all over the county. A motion to recommend to Council to grant a three year extension of The Estates at Blackhawk Subdivision Section 3 and change the name to Section D was made by Mark Brooks, seconded by Stan Swisher, and passed unanimously.

Zoning Inspector Scott Jamison had issued a written report which is attached and incorporated as part of these minutes. He gave a brief summary of the report. No citations were issued during the month. Two new home permits were issued for the Walnut Creek Subdivision. Homewood Corporation requested an extension of a development plan as previously discussed.

He updated the Commission on the North Walnut Street rebuilding and resurfacing project. Phase 2 is tentatively scheduled to resume in early May. The installation of new playground equipment in Miller Park is complete. The Ohio EPA has issued a new "Permit to Operate" for the existing waste water treatment plant. The new permit becomes effective May 1.

The clerk had nothing additional to report.

In old business it was decided to invite the residents and property owners along Holmes and Harrison Street to the May meeting to gather their input on possible future changes to the Planned Industrial Zoning district.

There was no new business.

There being no further business before the Commission, a motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Mark Brooks, seconded by Stan Swisher, and passed unanimously. **The next scheduled meeting will be on Wednesday, May 18, 2011 at 7:00 PM.** The meeting was officially adjourned at 7:58 PM.

Clerk

Chairman

CERTIFICATION

I, Sally H. Hopper, Clerk of The Zoning & Planning Commission of the Village of Galena, Ohio do hereby certify that publication of the above MINUTES was duly made by posting true copies thereof at five (5) of the most public places in the Village of Galena as provided for in Ordinance # 99-15 enacted by the Council of the Village of Galena on December 21, 1999.

Sally H. Hopper, Clerk