



Village of Galena ZONING AND PLANNING COMMISSION

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF DECEMBER 17, 2014

The Zoning and Planning Commission of the Village of Galena met on Wednesday December 17, 2014 in the Council Chambers of the Village Hall at 109 Harrison Street, Galena, Ohio. Present were members; President Tom Hopper, Nancy Feole, Stan Swisher and Jason Hillyer. Commission member Mark Brooks and Village Zoning Inspector David LaValle were absent. Also present were Code Compliance Assistant Levi Koehler and Village Zoning Clerk Sally Hopper. The meeting was officially called to order at 7:07 PM.

Copies of the minutes from the meeting of October 21, 2014 had been distributed to all members by the Clerk. A motion to approve the minutes, as presented, was made by Jason Hillyer, seconded by Stan Swisher and passed unanimously.

Copies of the minutes from the cancelled meeting of November 19, 2014 had been distributed to all members by the Clerk. A motion to approve the minutes, as presented, was made by Nancy Feole, seconded by Jason Hillyer and passed unanimously.

Code Compliance Assistant Levi Koehler presented his and Zoning Inspector David LaValle's written monthly activity report which is attached and incorporated as part of these minutes. He gave a brief summary to the Commission.

Investigation continues into the Ohio Revised Code merger laws and regulations pertinent to the proposed Berkshire Township-Galena merger. The appeal by Eddy Ambrose of violations at Sambuca's Nursery and Greenhouse, 577 North Walnut Street, is still pending at Delaware County Common Pleas Court. Violations at 51 Middle and 24 Front Street are continuing and still being processed. Progress to correct violations at 45 South Walnut and 59 Holmes is being monitored. The deck at 537 Melimare Drive has been inspected and approved by staff.

A recommendation on the proposal from Delaware County to take over Commercial Building Code inspections for the Village will be forthcoming after Mr. LaValle's return. The staff continues to work on bringing address files and certificates of zoning compliance up to date.

The zoning clerk had nothing additional to report.

There was no old business.

In new business it was discussed that Mark Brooks' term on the Zoning and Planning Commission is up on December 31. The Mayor will be asking Council for their approval for reappointment for a new three year term. There was a discussion about the possibility of serving liquor on the front porch of the Mudflats Bar & Grille. This is specifically not allowed under the current development plan. There was a discussion about a possible residential development on the west side of State Route 3. There was a discussion about the state of the proposed Berkshire Township-Galena merger.

There being no further business before the Commission, a motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Stan Swisher, seconded by Jason Hillyer, and passed unanimously. **The next scheduled meeting will be on Wednesday, January 21, 2015 at 7:00 PM.** The meeting was officially adjourned at 7:48 PM.

Clerk

Chairman

CERTIFICATION

I, Sally H. Hopper, Clerk of The Planning & Zoning Commission of the Village of Galena, Ohio do hereby certify that publication of the above MINUTES were 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 No. 2013-13 enacted by the Council of the Village of Galena on March 18, 2013.

Sally H. Hopper, Clerk