

Harrison Township Zoning Commission  
Organizational Meeting  
January 15, 2019

Members present: Chris Johnson, Laney McLaughlin, Linda Miller, Anthony Sharp, and Brenda Oliver.  
Absent: Bill Evenson

Also present: Tom Frederick, Zoning Inspector and Vickie Noble, Zoning Secretary.

Guests: Joe Skaggs and Blaine Mannering

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Vickie Noble with all standing for the Pledge of Allegiance.

Ms. Oliver is serving as a voting member due to the absence of Mr. Evenson.

Ms. Noble called for nominations for Chair of the Board for 2019.

Mr. Sharp nominated Chris Johnson. Ms. Miller seconded.

Vote:

Chris Johnson-yes, Laney McLaughlin-yes, Linda Miller-yes, Anthony Sharp-yes, Brenda Oliver-yes

Ms. Johnson will serve as Zoning Commission Chair for 2019.

Ms. Johnson called for nominations for Vice Chair for 2019.

Mr. Sharp nominated Bill Evenson. Ms. Miller seconded.

Vote:

Chris Johnson-yes, Laney McLaughlin-yes, Linda Miller-yes, Anthony Sharp-yes, Brenda Oliver-yes

Ms. Johnson called for nominations for Alternate Secretary for 2019.

Mr. Sharp nominated Laney McLaughlin. Ms. Miller seconded.

Vote:

Chris Johnson-yes, Laney McLaughlin-yes, Linda Miller-yes, Anthony Sharp-yes, Brenda Oliver-yes

All board members were in favor of keeping the same meeting schedule, meeting on the first Tuesday of the month. There will be no meeting in July. If any additional meetings are needed, they will be held on the third Tuesday of the month.

At 7:06 the board moved from the Organizational meeting to a working session

The minutes of the September 18, 2018 meeting were read. Ms. McLaughlin moved to approve the minutes. Ms. Miller seconded. The motion passed with unanimous ayes.

Mr. Frederick passed out details on a proposed subdivision, PUD, that is in the planning stages. The proposed PUD is on York Road, north of Blacks Road on a 30 acre parcel of land. The Licking County Planning Commission has a Variance consideration for this property on the January 28 agenda. Once the plans have been through all the required county entities it will be presented to the township. Mr. Frederick said this could happen by March.

Another PUD is being proposed for Indian Hills Golf Course. Mr. Frederick presented the board with a copy of the discussion held at the December 18, 2018 Trustee Meeting. Representatives from Ryan Homes attended that meeting along with other interested parties. Much of the discussion at the December 18, 2018 meeting centered around the square footage of new builds in the township. Ms. Mannering stated that she is with Village ReMax Consultants of Granville. Her company is representing the seller. She is of the opinion that Ryan Homes is looking at smaller homes for people of retirement age. She also pointed out that younger people are looking for smaller homes.

Mr. Sharp is very firm in his opinion that houses should remain at a minimum of 1800 square feet.

Mr. Frederick listed some items that should be looked at this year. The list included hospitals, greenhouses, yard barns, particularly typical yard barns compared to larger structures. Article 13.1 # 3 should be looked at for revision.

Mr. Frederick introduced Joe Skaggs. Mr. Skaggs had recent issues with a neighbor concerning set backs of accessory buildings. Mr. Skaggs made reference to the November 27, 2018 BZA Public Hearing. His neighbors, Lee and Deborah Morgan were given a variance to leave an accessory building that was built closer than the required 15' setback. He would like to build an accessory building but cannot meet the setback requirement at his desired location. He is also upset that the Trustees waived the fee for the Morgan's Public Hearing.

At 8:15 p.m. Ms. Miller moved to adjourn. Ms. McLaughlin seconded. The motion passed with unanimous ayes.

Respectfully submitted

Vickie Noble, Zoning Secretary

Chris Johnson, Chair

*Minutes not official until approved by the Harrison Township Zoning Commission*