

BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS
January 27, 2016

THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE GREENE COUNTY BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS WAS HELD ON WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 27, 2016 AT 7:30 P.M.

Those present were: Richard Herring, Chairman
 Bob Runkle, Vice-Chairman
 Frank Morris, Member
 Lyle Durrer, Member
 Wesley Wills, Member
 Brent Wilson, Alternate Member
 Dale Herring, Ex-Officio Member
 Bart Svoboda, Zoning Administrator
 Marsha Alley, Secretary

CALL TO ORDER

The Chairman called the meeting to order. He welcomed Wesley Wills who was recently appointed to the Board of Zoning Appeals and Dale Herring who was recently appointed as the Board of Supervisors Liaison to the Board of Zoning Appeals.

DETERMINATION OF QUORUM

The Chairman declared a quorum of five members and an alternate member. He reviewed the schedule of business for the evening.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Mr. Herring opened the floor for nominations.

Mr. Runkle nominated Mr. Herring for Chairman and Mr. Morris for Vice-Chairman.

Mr. Durrer seconded the nominations.

There being no other nominations.

The vote was taken for Chairman and the nomination carried by 5-0 vote with Mr. Herring abstaining.

The vote was taken for Vice-Chairman and the nomination carried by 5-0 vote with Mr. Morris abstaining.

Mr. Herring nominated Marsha Alley to continue to serve as the Secretary.

Mr. Morris seconded the nomination.

The vote was taken and the nomination carried by unanimous vote.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

There were no public hearings scheduled.

Mr. Svoboda announced that no applications had been received for next month so there would not be a meeting in February.

OLD/NEW BUSINESS

Mr. Svoboda welcomed Mr. Wills and offered a description of the responsibilities of the Board of Zoning Appeals, training opportunities, and meeting schedules, etc.

MINUTES

Mr. Morris made a motion to approve the minutes of October 28, 2015 as presented.

Mr. Durrer seconded the motion.

The vote was taken and the minutes of October 28, 2015 were approved by a 4-0 vote with Mr. Wills and Mr. Durrer abstaining as they were not present for that meeting.

OTHER MATTERS

Mr. Svoboda reminded everyone to check their county email as they will be used for communication. He added that training opportunities had been emailed and encouraged members to notify the office if they are interested in participating in these opportunities. He reminded everyone that there would be no meeting in February.

Mr. Svoboda gave a brief update regarding some pending state legislative changes. He added that the Zoning Ordinance has been updated and provided tonight, noting that several additional ordinance revisions are pending.

Mr. Runkle asked if there was a yearly meeting schedule for the BZA.

Mr. Svoboda stated that the meetings would be on the fourth Wednesday of the month at 7:30 pm if there are cases or business to be discussed.

Mr. Herring added that there are no regular business meetings scheduled.

There was a brief discussion relating to the BZA meeting schedule.

Mr. Herring asked if any determination has been made relating to the pending state legislation regarding BZA members discussing cases with the applicant or one another.

Mr. Svoboda gave a brief overview of the pending legislation that Mr. Herring referred to and added that he would keep them informed of developments as he learns them.

Mr. Runkle stated that it would be a major change, noting that the BZA used to visit the sites and speak with the property owner or applicant about their request.

Mr. Svoboda stated that the requirements may be different for variance requests and appeals. He added that the legislation could likely apply to staff as well. He noted that he was not aware of how the proposed legislation came to be discussed.

Mr. Runkle asked Mr. Svoboda if he was aware of any conflict of interest items that may have come about.

Mr. Svoboda described the conflict of interest paperwork that must be completed noting that there may be some differences in how much information must be provided.

There was a brief discussion relating to the conflict of interest statements and submittal information.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Durrer made a motion to adjourn the meeting.

Mr. Morris seconded the motion.

The vote was taken and the motion carried by unanimous vote.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Marsha Alley

Marsha Alley, Secretary

BZA Chairman

Date