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## **Austinburg Township, Ohio**

### **Zoning Commission**

#### **Regular Meeting**

**June 6, 2018**

The regular meeting of the Zoning Commission was called to order on June 6, 2018 at 5:20 PM by Chair Wanda Lahnan. Also present were Phil Miller, Clare Polak, Jackie Krysa and John Beninato.

John requested that the minutes from the May meeting be reviewed by the Zoning Secretary for a possible addition to the final draft. He will contact her prior to the July meeting.

Pending changes to zoning were mentioned as follows:

The commission will look into setbacks as relates to Oil/Gas Wells.

John volunteered to discuss with the County Engineer if he would allow a "designee" to inspect and approve a private road.

Wanda reminded everyone that the NE Planning & Zoning Workshop was to be held June 8<sup>th</sup> in Conneaut should anyone still wish to register by contacting the appointed party.

The Trustees had requested that the zoning amendment relating to Medical Marijuana be implemented in the Zoning Book. Wanda presented a draft to those in attendance for their review for discussion at the next meeting. Supporting documentation was given to those attending: Austinburg Township Record of Proceedings, August 21, 2017, Austinburg Township Trustees letter, June 5, 2017, Ashtabula County Planning Commission letters, June 26, 2017 and June 12, 2017.

There was discussion on the various zoning districts for the Township and what is considered to be the historical area. Jackie will check to see if she has documentation on this topic.

John had been approached by a resident regarding placing a mound of dirt approximately six feet in height around the perimeter of his property with a fence on top. There was discussion on whether the dirt itself would constitute a fence. Those in attendance, except Wanda, felt that since it was a barrier, the dirt mounded would be a fence.

John requested we review the definition of Structure. There was discussion. Phil suggested that we include some examples for under the ground. The proposed amendment to the definition would be:

Structure: Anything that is constructed or erected, the use of which requires location on, in or under the ground, or attachment to something having a fixed location on, in or under the ground. Among other things, structures include buildings, manufactured homes, walls, fences, billboards, pools, and tanks.

John provided a documented copy of the sewer lines for Austinburg Township to those in attendance that requested a copy.

The next meeting would be on July 4<sup>th</sup> so it was agreed that the meeting would be changed to July 11<sup>th</sup>, 2018 at 5:15 pm.

Jackie made a motion that the meeting be adjourned which was seconded by Phil. The motion was carried. The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Wanda Lahnan