

August 8, 2016

The regular monthly meeting of the Richfield Township Zoning Commission was called to order at 7:00pm by Vice Chairman, Frank Curtis. Those in attendance were Myra Condon, Frank Curtis, Don Reideler, Cliff Williams and Zoning Inspector, Ron Smith. Chairman Ronau was unable to attend. The minutes of the July, 2016 meeting were read and approved to be filed. Roll call: Mrs. Condon, yes; Mr. Curtis, yes; Mr. Reideler, yes; Mr. Williams, yes. Also in attendance were Jim Watkins and Shi Schwarz.

Shi Schwarz, 3938 Richfield Center Road, attended the meeting. She has set a "garden fence" around the side yard of her property using it as a confine for the family dog. A verbal complaint was voiced to Mr. Smith by a local resident questioning the placement of the fence. The Commission reviewed the Zoning Manual regarding fencing and there is no regulation against fencing as long as the height requirement is met. Ms. Schwarz said that she chose this type of fence because a chain link is cost prohibitive at this time. A boat sitting on the property was also addressed. Ms. Schwarz said that the boat would be removed from the property by 12/31/16.

Old Business:

Mr. Smith reported on the noxious weed violations. A certified letter was mailed to Jeff Harrison and Karen Robie, 11975 Sylvania Ave. regarding thistles growing on their property. The letter was not picked up at the post office. A follow up letter was sent by first-class mail as well. Mr. Smith will visit the home and leave a notice of violation on the door.

Lynfred Moore, 3530 Fulton-Lucas County Road, has forfeited the property and the property has been sold. The new owner will demolish the old house on the property.

The set back distance of the new construction at 5425 Richfield Center Road was confirmed to be in excess of 100 feet. Members of the Commission measured the property following the July meeting.

New Business:

Scott Keller, 3855 Murd Road, contacted Mr. Smith regarding the enlargement of the existing pond and use the dirt as fill around the new home he is building. He also wants to build a pole barn to house his tools and construction materials before starting the house construction. He cites recent multiple burglaries in the area over the summer. Mr. Smith declined his request for permits. A meeting has been scheduled with the Board of Zoning Appeals on August 16 to hear the case.

Todd Zatteau, Murd Road, wants to dig a pond. Mr. Smith contacted Brian Miller at Lucas County and Mr. Miller said that Mr. Zatteau should contact him about pond regulations.

Chris and Stacy Carter, whose request to extend their garage was rejected by the Board of Zoning Appeals, has an alternate plan for which they are asking consideration. It will be necessary for the Carters to again go before the Board of Zoning Appeals with the new plan.

Permits:

16-11 - Denise Carr, 11105 Sylvania Avenue, Berkey, Ohio - 20' x 20' deck.

At 8:30 pm there was no further business. Mr. Curtis moved to adjourn the meeting. His motion was seconded by Mr. Williams. Roll call: Mrs. Condon, yes; Mr. Curtis, yes; Mr. Reideler, yes; Mr. Williams, yes.

Respectfully submitted,

Myra Condon, Secretary