

July 9, 2018

A Public Hearing and the regular monthly meeting of the Richfield Township Zoning Commission was called to order by Chairman, Doug Ronau. Those in attendance were Myra Condon, Frank Curtis, Don Reideler, Doug Ronau, Cliff Williams and Zoning Inspector, Ron Smith. Also in attendance was William Harbert, Lucas County Plan Commission and David Turk, Township Resident.

The minutes of the June 2018 meeting were read. Mr. Williams moved to accept the minutes. His motion was seconded by Mr. Reideler. Roll call: Mr. Condon, yes; Mr. Curtis, yes; Mr. Reideler, yes; Mr. Ronau, yes; Mr. Williams, yes.

The purpose of the Public Hearing was to hear comments regarding a proposed Amendment to the Richfield Township Resolution regarding Marijuana Cultivation, Testing Labs and Dispensaries. Lengthy discussion was held. The Plan Commission will meet on July 25 to review and recommend approval of Medical Marijuana legislation for Richfield Township. This legislation will include procedures for the establishment of Medical Marijuana Cultivators, Testing Facilities, Processor and Dispensaries. This legislation is consistent with the Ohio Revised Code.

There are two other amendments in consideration. One to regulate mound heights on property and the other regarding drainage. Mr. Harbert will provide an analysis on the drainage amendment for the Zoning members to consider. If adopted, it would require a property owner to have a grading plan before construction and there would be a cost for that plan.

A fourth amendment to the Zoning Regulation was presented to the Commission. The Ohio Revised Code was amended in 2007 granting final authority to Township Zoning Appeal Boards in relation to Conditional Use Permits. Several Townships in Lucas County have amended their zoning resolutions eliminating Special Use Permits and replacing them with Conditional Use Permits. Mr. Harbert recommended that Richfield Township adopt this amendment. Mr. Ronau moved to adopt. His motion was seconded by Mr. Reideler. Roll Call: Mrs. Condon, yes; Mr. Curtis, yes; Mr. Reideler, yes; Mr. Ronau, yes; Mr. Williams, yes. A Public Hearing will be held at the next regularly scheduled meeting on August 13, at 7:00pm. The Zoning Board respectfully asks the Fiscal Officer to place notices in the usual Media sources.

Other Business:

Mr. Smith asked Mr. Harbert about private shooting ranges in the Township. Mr. Harbert said he has spoken with the Lucas County Sheriff's Department. The Deputy stated that if anyone feels that there is an unsafe range, the Sheriff should be called to investigate.

Mr. Smith presented a copy of a letter sent to Kevin King from Elaine Szuch, Assistant Prosecuting Attorney, regarding Zoning Violations on his property. The letter is dated June 18, 2018. The letter states that if the violations are not remedied from the date of the letter, the issue would go to the Trustees and a resolution may be passed allowing the Trustees to go onto his property and removed the blight. The cost would be added to his tax bill.

Mr. Smith presented 3 building permits. However, the site plans were not attached. Mr. Smith will provide these at the next meeting and the permits will be reviewed.

At 8:40pm there was no further business. Mr. Reideler moved to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Williams seconded his motion. Roll call: Mrs. Condon, yes; Mr. Curtis, yes; Mr. Reideler, yes; Mr. Ronau, yes; Mr. Williams, yes

Respectfully submitted,

Myra Condon, Secretary