

January 11, 2016

The regular monthly meeting of the Richfield Township Zoning Commission was called to order at 7:00pm by Chairman, Doug Ronau. Those in attendance were Myra Condon, Frank Curtis, Don Reideler, Doug Ronau, Cliff Williams and Zoning Inspector, Ron Smith. The minutes of the December 2015 meeting were read and approved to be filed. Roll call: Mrs. Condon, yes; Mr. Curtis, yes; Mr. Ronau, yes; Mr. Williams, yes.

James Schmidt, 12850 Sylvania Avenue, attended the meeting to clarify regulations for erecting a pole barn. Although the Township has no specific regulations for pole barns, he was advised to contact the County and work with them. He was further advised that he must provide the Commission with a site plan and apply for a permit prior to construction. Mr. Schmidt asked if he could permanently keep the 8' x 40' storage unit if he placed it out of sight behind the pole barn. He was advised that the unit was allowed only until December 31, 2016 and could not remain on a permanent basis.

#### Old Business:

Mr. Smith reported that he received a phone call from Roger Uttenhove regarding his property at Central and Fulton-Lucas County Road. Mr. Uttenhove plans to replace the current fence with a new one in the spring.

With regard to the Griffin property, the Trustees have not yet contacted the Prosecutors' Office to obtain the procedure for demolishing the buildings on that property.

Mr. Smith reported that he was instructed by the Trustees at the December meeting to contact Pam Bartos and issue her a permit for the non-conforming barn on her property. After lengthy discussion, the Commission believes that a permit cannot be issued for a non-conforming structure.

#### New Business:

Mr. Smith reported that he was contacted by Rick Nieman, owner of property at the corner of Murd and Central. Mr. Nieman has posted the property for sale.

Mr. Ronau received an inquiry about the gun club. The caller was interested in developing the land for housing.

The Shull house and building at the corner of Lathrop and Sylvania-Metamora is in severe disrepair. Mr. Smith will mail a letter to Jan Shull asking him to upgrade or demolish the buildings.

There were no permits issued.

#### Election of Officers:

Mr. Curtis nominated Mr. Ronau to continue as President of the Commission. His nomination was seconded by Mr. Williams. There were no additional nominees and nominations were closed. Roll Call: Mrs. Condon, yes; Mr. Curtis, yes; Mr. Reideler, yes; Mr. Williams, yes.

Nominations were opened for Vice Chairman. Mr. Williams nominated Mr. Curtis for Vice Chair. His nomination was seconded by Mr. Reideler. There were no additional nominees and nominations were closed. Roll Call: Mrs. Condon, yes; Mr. Reideler, yes; Mr. Ronau, yes; Mrs. Williams, yes.

Nominations were opened for Secretary. Mr. Reideler nominated Myra Condon for Secretary. His nomination was seconded by Mr. Williams. There were no other nominees and nominations were closed. Roll call: Mr. Curtis, yes; Mr. Reideler, yes; Mr. Ronau, yes; Mr. Williams, yes.

At 8:50pm there was no further business. Mr. Curtis moved to adjourn the meeting. His motion was seconded by Mr. Reideler. Roll call: Mrs. Condon, yes; Mr. Curtis, yes; Mr. Reideler, yes; Mr. Ronau, yes; Mr. Williams. Yes.

Respectfully submitted,

Myra Condon, Secretary