

**Minutes of Zoning Commission Public Hearing Meeting
Liberty Township, Licking County, Ohio
October 25, 2022**

Opening

- The Zoning Commission Public Hearing meeting on October 25, 2022 was called to order by Fred Schwarz at 6:30 p.m. He led the Pledge of Allegiance and stated that the meeting was being recorded.
- Roll call was taken and the following answered as present: Alan Huet, Sara Sparhawk, Fred Schwarz, Jackie Siegel and Rob Broehl.
- Melodie Bogantz (zoning clerk) was also present.

Business

- Fred opened the Meeting by explaining the purpose of the meeting was to seek public input on changes to the Zoning Resolution. The Public Hearing was advertised in the Newark Advocate and information was available online. Since no public was present, the Zoning Commission proceeded to discuss the proposed changes as listed in the handouts.
- Proposed change #3 was to remove the last sentence from Article 11, Section 1104 list item #7 which was "Such temporary political signs shall not be placed more than 70 days before the election and must be removed within 72 hours following Election Day." Licking County Planning Commission (LCPC) sees no issue with this change.
- **Fred Schwarz made a motion to proceed with this change and strike the above sentence from the Zoning Resolution. Rob Broehl seconded the motion. The motion passed with all YES votes.**
- Proposed change #2 was to change the definition of "Setback Line" in Article 2, Section 200 of the Zoning Resolution and modify Article 9, Section 916. LCPC requested adding some additional information to Section 916 for clarity. Below are the proposed new definition of Setback Line for Section 200 and the new contents of Section 916.

Setback Line: A line established by the zoning resolution generally parallel with and measured from the lot line, defining the limits of a yard in which no building or structure may be located above ground, except accessory structures as provided in Sections 915 and 916 of this resolution. (See also the definitions of "Accessory Structure," "Front Yard Setback," and "Yard.")

Section 916

All residential accessory buildings/structures must comply with the respective district's yard requirements with the exception of residential accessory structures 150 square feet or less as follows. No residential accessory structure/building may be closer than 10 feet to any side yard lot line or rear yard lot line, and cannot be larger in bulk than 150 square feet or

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have a height greater than 10 feet. The respective district front yard setback shall be complied with for all residential accessory buildings/structures regardless of the square footage of the building/structure.

	Residential Accessory Structure less than 150 sq. ft.	Residential Accessory Structure 150 sq. ft. or Greater	Residential Principle Structure
Setback from the side and rear lot line.	10 ft. minimum	Shall meet the specified district setback minimums.	Shall meet the specified district setback minimums.
Setback from the front lot line.	Shall meet the specified district setback minimum	Shall meet the specified district setback minimum.	Shall meet the specified district setback minimum.
Height Limitation	10 ft. maximum	Shall meet the specified district maximum structure height requirement.	Shall meet the specified district maximum structure height requirement.

- **Alan Huet made a motion to approve the LCPC recommendation for Article 2, Section 200 and Article 9, Section 916 and proceed with the above updates. Sara Sparhawk seconded the motion. The motion passed with all YES votes.**
- Issue #1 was discussed which would add some additional definitions to the Zoning Resolution to support the new definition of "Family." It was determined that the LCPC did not have the most recent version of the Zoning Resolution when they gave us comments which made their comments very confusing. It was also determined that some of the additional definitions were also already in the current zoning resolution.
- **Rob Broehl made a motion to table this change for further review. Jackie Siegel seconded the motion. The motion passed with all YES votes.**
- It was decided that Melodie Bogantz will present the two above changes to the Township Trustees at their November meeting.

Closing

- The next meeting of the Zoning Commission is 11/21/2022.
- **Rob Broehl made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Sara Sparhawk seconded the motion. The motion passed with all YES votes.**

Minutes taken by Melodie Bogantz, Zoning Clerk for Liberty Township, Licking County, Ohio

Zoning Clerk: 

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Zoning Commission:

<u>Jackie Ingham</u>	<u>11/21/2022</u>
<u>J. H. Hest</u>	<u>11-21-22</u>
<u>Alan J. Hest</u>	<u>11/21/22</u>