Liberty Township, Licking, County, Ohio Board of Zoning Appeals Public Hearing - Minutes November 13, 2024, 7:00 pm

Opening

- Robert Moore called the meeting to order at 7:00pm. He led the Pledge of Allegiance and stated that the meeting was being recorded.
- Robert Moore asked for a motion for someone to fill in as Zoning Clerk.
- Wendy Zigo made a motion that Susan Broehl act fill in as clerk and take minutes. Dale McCombs seconded the motion. The motion passed with all YES votes from those present: Aaron Jennings, Wendi Zigo, Robert Moore, Susan Broehl and Dale McCombs.
- Aaron made a motion to approve the minutes from November 4, 2024 Public Hearing for 2024-VAR-001. Wendi Zigo seconded the motion. The motion passed with all YES votes.

Business:

- Robert explained the purpose of meeting is to discuss conditional use permit 2024-CUP-002
- Robert stated that everyone needs to sign-in at the door.
- Robert explained Public Hearing Procedures as:
 - Must be sworn in to testify
 - Testimony is given in front of board and close to recording device
 - Must state name each time you speak
 - Giving testimony does not mean arguing with others in the meeting or making comments about their testimony
 - o If you want to have a conversation with others, please leave the room
 - After testimony is heard, visitors may only speak when asked a question by the board

Public Hearing:

- Public Hearing was opened
- Robert swore in all who wished to testify.
- Robert stated that the BZA has a conflict with the application and the Zoning Resolution and he turned the floor over to Peter Griggs, legal counsel, to explain the issue.
- Peter explained that the property is in an Agricultural district and the conditional use
 that they are applying for is not in the list of conditional uses. Since and event center is
 not on the list of conditional uses, the BZA doesn't have the authority to grant the
 conditional use.
- Peter said that they would need to rezone in order to have an event center.

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- Peter asked Inalee Tan if she wanted to withdraw her application, or if she wanted the BZA to deny it.
- Inalee Tan, 4863 Sportsman Club Road, asked to withdraw her application.
- Michael Pickard, 4840 Sportsman Club Road asked if there would be a chance for public input if the property requests to be rezone. Robert said yes and explained the process briefly.
- Dale McCombs made a motion to accept the withdrawal of 2024-CUP-002. Susan Broehl seconded the motion. The motion passed with all YES votes.
- Robert suggested to Inalee that she get with Woody Fox, the Zoning Inspector, to talk about what to do next.

Closing:

- Wendi Zigo made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Aaron Jennings seconded the motion. The motion passed with all YES votes.
- The meeting was adjourned at 7:18pm.

Approval:

Approval of Minutes:

Minutes were taken by Susan Broehl, Acting Zoning Clerk for Liberty Township, Licking County, Ohio.