

# Liberty Township, Licking County, Ohio

## Zoning Commission Regular Meeting Minutes

### November 19, 2024 7:00 pm

#### Opening

- Fred Schwarz called the meeting to order at 7:04pm. He led the Pledge of Allegiance and announced that the meeting was being recorded.
- Melodie Bogantz, Zoning Clerk, took roll call with the following answering present: Sara Sparhawk, Fred Schwarz, Alan Huet, and Rob Broehl.
- Fred stated that the minutes for the September 24, and October 30 meetings were available for inspection.
- **Rob Broehl made a motion to approve the minutes from the September 24, 2024 regular meeting. Sara Sparhawk seconded the motion. The motion passed with all YES votes.**
- **Fred Schwarz made a motion to approve the minutes from the October 30, 2024 Public Hearing and meeting. Rob Broehl seconded the motion. The motion passed with all YES votes.**

#### Resident/Public Input

- none

#### Business

- Melodie presented the Zoning Resolution updates approved by the Board of Trustees (2024-05 through 2024-12).
- Jackie Siegel arrived for the meeting.
- The Zoning Commission discussed a proposed update (2024-13) that would remove from the Zoning Resolution the requirement once the Zoning Inspector receives an application the inspector has to either approve or disapprove it within 30 days. And it would remove the requirement that the BZA (or Zoning Commission) must hold a public hearing within 30 days of receiving an application for an appeal or a conditional use permit (or rezoning). Legal counsel says that those requirements are not in ORC and we can remove them. The township could also go the route of increasing the number.
- Melodie presented to the Commission the idea of creating a new zoning district to handle Rural Mixed in our Comprehensive Plan. Melodie gave the members information she will be using to create the new district. She also stated that she will be working with Peter Griggs on defining the district.
- There was also discussion on township setbacks and lot splits.

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**Closing**

- The Zoning Commission agreed to cancel their December 17, 2024 meeting.
- The Next Zoning Commission meeting will be January 21, 2025 at 7:00pm.
- **Rob Broehl made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Sara Sparhawk seconded the motion. The motion passed with all YES votes.**
- The meeting was adjourned at 7:40 pm.
- The approved meeting minutes were signed.

**Approval**

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

Approval of Minutes:

Zoning Clerk:

Melodie Bogantz

Date:

1/21/2025

Zoning Commission:

Jackie Siegel  
Robert A. Kelly  
Alan J. Huest  
Paul Bond

Date:

Jan 21, 2025  
1-21-2025  
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