



The Rootstown Township Zoning Commission met in regular session on Monday, August 20, 2012, at 7:00 p.m. at Rootstown Town Hall.

Present:

Ginny Hamilton

Bob Moses

Steve Brown

Absent:

Karen Henry

George Tishma

Also present:

Jim Mahood, Zoning Inspector

Van Black, Asst. Zoning Inspector

Brett Housley, Trustee

Chair, Karen Henry, called the meeting to order.

Everyone stood to recite the Pledge of Allegiance.

Chair, Karen Henry, asked if everyone had a chance to review the minutes from last meeting, Bob Moses made the motion to accept the minutes as prepared, the motion was seconded by Karen Henry, roll was taken and passed.

Karen Henry began with yard sale proposal. Bob Moses asked if Brett read the proposed definition and amendment, he said he has, but could not speak on behalf of the Trustees. Brett said that the Zoning Commission should hold a public hearing regarding their proposals. The Zoning commission still has concerns over the enforcement issue of yard sales, but believes a public hearing should be held. A motion was

made by Bob Moses to hold a public hearing and was seconded by Steve Brown, motion passed 3-0. Jim Mahood said he will place a legal notice in the newspaper advertising the hearing for the next meeting.

The conversation moved to the quarterly inspector meeting that was held in Ravenna. Karen Henry attended, and the main subject that was discussed was Ravenna Townships proposed Property Maintenance Code. The Zoning Board asked Karen if Ravenna Townships road department would be required to clean up lots that have been left vacant, she replied she believes so, and all cost would be added via liens or onto their taxes. Brett Housley mentioned funding through various grants for blighted housing, but felt that Rootstown at this time did not need to seek such monies.

Mr. Housley wanted to discuss the non-conforming rule that limits landowners a 50% cost to rebuild their non-conforming structure or use. Mr. Housley believes that the Zoning Board should look at how that number was proposed and if it needs to be changed. The Zoning Commission said that it may be a subject for Regional Planning to look at and review.

Karen Henry brought up P.E.V (plug-in electric vehicle) and that she had some information that she will copy for the board to look at during the next meeting.

Brett Housley mentioned that the legal notice also include what the Zoning Commission will discuss such subjects as P.E.V., exotic animal regulations and tall grass issues.

Bob Moses made the motion to adjourn, it was seconded by Steve Brown, roll was taken and passed 3-0.

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Karen Henry, Chair  
Rootstown Township Zoning Commission