

**KINGSTON TOWNSHIP ZONING COMMISSION
MEETING MINUTES**

APPROVED: May 15, 2013

DATE: February 20, 2013
LOCATION: Kingston Township Hall
TIME CALLED TO ORDER: 7:01 PM by Chairman Filbert

MEMBERS PRESENT:	(CHECK ONE)		
GROVE	YES	X	NO
FILBERT	YES	X	NO
GIFFIN	YES	X	NO
STROHM	YES	X	NO
JEROME	YES	X	NO
TALBOTT	YES	X	NO
STITES	YES	X	NO

PUBLIC INPUT/COMMENT:

Big Walnut School Superintendent Steve Mazzi and Board Member Andy Wecker attended the meeting as part of their community outreach program. Big Walnut desires to maintain open lines of communication with the township regarding new residential and commercial development, and Mr. Wecker has volunteered to be the liaison. The pair advised that they had no update regarding the north vs. south new interchange for I-71, discussed current issues regarding revised per pupil state funding, and provided an overview of the current enrollment status. They indicated that the Big Walnut School Board is looking at reopening the Harrison Street school building within a year and a half to serve kindergarten through fourth grade students. The building would be staffed by reassignment of current employees and hiring a new principal, secretary, two custodians and a special education teacher. Building rehabilitation funds would come from remaining bond funds allocated for the construction of the two new schools along with commercial donations through a new adopt a room program under consideration.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Chairperson Filbert asked members if they had any comments or corrections regarding the August 15, 2012 Meeting Minutes. After discussion, Member Strohm made a motion to approve the Meeting Minutes. The motion was seconded by Member Jerome and was approved by a vote of 3 yes, 0 no with Members Grove and Filbert abstaining.

Chairperson Filbert asked members if they had any comments or corrections regarding the November 14, 2012 Meeting Minutes. After discussion, Member Grove made a motion to approve the Meeting Minutes. The motion was seconded by Member Strohm and was approved by a vote of 4 yes, 0 no with Member Jerome abstaining.

OLD BUSINESS: None

ZONING REPORT:

Zoning Inspector Talbott highlighted several items in the November 2012, December 2012 and January 2013 Trustee Reports including the number of permits issued, the resolution/status of several complaints including Bell Station Realty nuisance vegetation and junk vehicles on Carter’s Corner Road, and a Board of Zoning Appeals hearing decision for a Wilson Road Variance. He distributed a letter from the Trustees regarding proposed bridge replacement and roadway improvements for Blue Church Road north of Wilson Road *referenced as Item 1*. This letter was sent to all residents on Blue Church Road between State Route 521 and Wilson Road seeking public input regarding the proposed cooperative improvement project between the Township and the Delaware County Engineer’s Office. The information also appeared in the March 2012 Kingston News and was posted at the Township Hall.

Zoning Inspector Talbott informed Members about recent information he gained at the Ohio Township Association Annual Conference regarding Conditional Use Permits approved by the Board of Zoning Appeals (BZA). According to ORC 519.14, the BZA can only revoke violated Conditional Use Permits for mineral extraction, and all other non-compliance issues must be handled as Zoning Violations. Members were provided an updated Board of Zoning Appeals Roster reflecting the reappointment of Jim Collins by the Trustees *referenced as Item 2*. They were also informed that no applications have been received for the posted Zoning Commission Alternate position.

NEW BUSINESS: None

FOLLOW UP ITEMS: None

ADJOURNMENT:

Member Giffin made a motion for adjournment. The motion was seconded by Member Grove and was unanimously approved.

TIME: 8:18 PM

SUMBITTED BY:

Recorded and submitted by Dave Stites, Zoning Secretary.