The Athens Township Zoning Commission

Meeting Minutes

December 9, 2020

Video Conference via ZOOM

*Due to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic, in accordance with Governor DeWine’s stay-at-home order and legislation passed by the Ohio General Assembly, meetings of the Athens Township Zoning Commission will be held via video conference for the time being.*

**CALL TO ORDER**

Chairman Sean Jones called the meeting to order at 6pm. Rick Fernow and Brian Dearing in attendance.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

No public in attendance

**LETTER TO TRUSTEES REGARDING CREATION OF ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS**

Mr. Jones has written a letter to the Athens Township Trustees asking for the creation of the Zoning Board of Appeals, which is required by the Zoning Resolution passed by township voters last month. He will send this letter promptly.

**NEW BUSINESS**

Mr. Dearing submitted a photo of a Clinton Street project that had poured a foundation that appeared to be in non-compliance of the set-back rules within the zoning code. Will investigate further. Questioned need for certification if people are still building and in non-compliance.

Mr. Jones discussed the Joshua Tree Project on Shady Lane, and the potential creation of a septic system for their property. Mr. Jones is under the impression that septic systems are not allowed in The Plains unless specifically exempted.

Discussion of the need for Septic System ban within the Water and Sewer District, if not already in place, and if zoning commission could add this to the code.

  -Sean will draft a letter to Trustees and Rick will look at code for where septic system ban might fit.

**PUBLIC Q&A**

No public in attendance

**MOTION TO ADJOURN**

Mr. Jones made a motion to adjourn. Mr. Fernow seconded.

Jones: Yes; Fernow: Yes; Dearing: Yes