

# **Minutes**

## **Clark County Rural Zoning Commission**

Regular Meeting ~ 9:00 a.m.  
Thursday, March 9, 2017

Springview Government Center  
3130 East Main Street  
Springfield, Ohio 45505

Mr. Ken Brust, Chairperson of the Clark County Rural Zoning Commission of Clark County Ohio, called the meeting to order at 9:04 am and asked for the Roll Call.

Present For Roll Call: Mr. Ken Brust, Mr. Wayne Leis, Mr. John Hays, Mr. Bob Jurick and Mr. Larry Spahr.

Absent For Roll Call: Mr. Pete Lane

Chairperson Brust explained there were no cases to be heard and no audience members present. He stated staff would be discussing proposed zoning text amendments.

Chairperson Brust asked if there are any comments regarding the minutes. Hearing none, he asked for a motion to approve the minutes.

### **Approval of the December 15, 2016 Minutes**

Motion by Mr. Jurick, seconded by Mr. Leis, to **Approve** the minutes as presented.

**VOTE: Yes:** Mr. Jurick, Mr. Leis and Mr. Brust.

**Abstain:** Mr. Hays and Mr. Spahr.

***Motion carried.***

### **Zoning Text discussion regarding agricultural use and keeping of animals**

Mr. Allan Neimayer and Mrs. Jennifer Tuttle updated the Board on how agricultural use and keeping of animals is defined according to the Ohio Revised Code. Mrs. Tuttle then reviewed the proposed zoning text amendments regarding agricultural use and the keeping of animals. She explained the proposed updates Chapter 2, Section A, 32; Chapter 2, Section B, 17; Chapter 8, Section H, 7, a) and b) and definitions in Chapter 10. Mrs. Tuttle reviewed the flow chart to show the criteria used when determining agricultural use.

Mr. Jurick expressed concern about the proposed limits on one acre lots. Mrs. Tuttle clarified that the ORC only gives local zoning authority when the parcel is located within a subdivision (minor or major). Mr. Jurick stated he understood and felt people in subdivisions could raise certain animals on lots on or under one acre. He asked staff to gather information from the OSU Extension office, 4-H, FFA and other resources. He asked staff to get percentage of impact. He stated he would be in favor of categorizing animals and limits.

Mr. Neimayer stated that staff has been working with the county prosecutor's office on these proposed amendments to keep in line with zoning authority under the Ohio Revised Code and to provide better definition and explanation to terms used.

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Chairperson Brust asked for a motion to initiate the zoning text amendments as discussed.

Motion by Mr. Leis, seconded by Mr. Hays, to initiate the zoning text amendments regarding agricultural use and the keeping of animals as discussed.

**VOTE: Yes:** Mr. Leis, Mr. Hays, Mr. Spahr and Mr. Brust.

**No:** Mr. Jurick

***Motion carried.***

### **Election of Officers for 2017**

Motion by Mr. Leis, seconded by Mr. Jurick, to re-elect Ken Brust as Chairperson and John Hays as Vice Chairperson for 2017.

**VOTE: Yes:** Mr. Leis, Mr. Jurick, Mr. Brust, Mr. Hays and Mr. Spahr.

**No:** None.

***Motion carried.***

### **Staff Comments**

Mr. Neimayer stated the next scheduled meeting is Thursday, April 13, 2017. He informed the Board there were four cases to be heard.

### **Adjournment**

Motion by Mr. Leis, seconded by Mr. Jurick, to adjourn.

**VOTE: Motion carried unanimously.**

The meeting was adjourned at 10:02 am.

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Mr. Ken Brust, Chairperson

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Mr. Thomas A. Hale, Secretary