

**PRAIRIE TOWNSHIP ZONING COMMISSION
MINUTES OF OCTOBER 25, 2011 MEETING**

Members Present: Howard Balzer, Christopher Finn, Glen Hymer, Hulda Moffitt, Bruce Whyte

Members Absent: None

Others Present: Connie Swisher, zoning inspector; Dana Scott, zoning clerk; Chris Rymer, alternate

Call to Order: Mr. Balzer called the meeting of the Prairie Township Zoning Commission to order at 3:00 p.m. on Tuesday, October 25, 2011, at the Township Hall.

Meeting Minutes:

No August or September 2011, meeting minutes to act upon, as there were not any meetings these two months.

Old Business: None

New Business:

Set Public Hearing for Big Darby Town Center Master Plan

Ms. Swisher stated that the Big Darby Accord Advisory Panel had recommended the adoption of the Big Darby Town Center Master Plan. On Wednesday, November 9, the Master Plan is to be considered by the Franklin County Planning Commission.

The next step is for the Prairie Township Zoning Commission to set a date for a public hearing on the Town Center Master Plan.

Following the public hearing, the Township Trustees must have 30 days to consider a recommendation forwarded to them by the Zoning Commission. In order to meet this timeline and avoid conflict with upcoming holidays, Ms. Swisher suggested that the Zoning Commission hold the public hearing on Tuesday, November 15, 2011—rather than on the regular meeting date, November 22. The Trustees have a meeting on Wednesday, November 16.

Mr. Hymer made a motion to hold the public hearing on the Big Darby Town Center Master on Tuesday, November 15, 2011, at 7:00 p.m., at the Township Hall, 23 Maple Drive.

Mr. Whyte seconded the motion.

Prior to voting, Mr. Balzer asked if there was any further discussion on the date and time for the public hearing. There was none.

Roll call as follows:

1. Glen Hymer Aye
2. Hulda Moffitt Aye
3. Bruce Whyte Aye
4. Christopher Finn Aye
5. Howard Balzer Aye

The motion was approved unanimously.

Ms. Swisher said that zoning staff will take care of all necessary notifications about the public hearing.

She commented that the Brown Township Trustees initially had considered asking for a three-year delay to act on the Town Center Master Plan. This proposed delay, apparently, was because of the geographic move of the town center south into primarily Prairie Township. However, after further consideration, the Trustees did approve it.

Announcements:

Mr. Balzer announced that there will be no meeting of the Zoning Commission in December.

He said that the date of the next meeting of the Prairie Township Zoning Commission will be Tuesday, January 24, 2012, at 3:00 p.m. in the Township Hall.

There being no further business before the Prairie Township Zoning Commission, Mr. Balzer adjourned the meeting at 3:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Hulda Moffitt, Secretary

