

YORK TOWNSHIP BOARD OF APPEALS
March 20, 2008

The York Township Board of Zoning Appeals held their monthly meeting in the York Town Hall/Fire Station Complex on March 20, 2008 at 7:30pm.

William Schultz called the meeting to order at 7:30pm.

Board Members Present:

Roger Mittler, Norman Hinman, Alverta Moehle, Eric Squire, and William Schultz were present at the meeting.

Guests Present:

David Hull-Chairperson Zoning Commission; James Miller-Zoning Commission; Bill Pavlick-Trustee; Rick Monroe-Trustee; Dennis Honkala-Superintendent Buckeye Local Schools; Jim Tighe; Dave Sterrett; Carol Sterrett,

Minutes:

Today's meeting is being taped for the use of the York Township Board of Appeals Secretary.

The Board reviewed the proposed minutes from the February 21, 2008 meeting. Alverta Moehle made a motion to approve the minutes. Norman Hinman seconded the motion. Role vote: Roger Mittler-aye; Norman Hinman-aye; Alverta Moehle-aye; William Schultz-aye; Eric Squire-abstain. Minutes were approved.

Correspondence:

The Board received and reviewed the letter from Dean Holman-Medina County Prosecutor, regarding training sessions for various Boards in the Townships.

The Board received and reviewed the memo from Dorothy Crouch-Zoning Inspector, regarding BZA training to be held by the Medina County Planning Commission on April 17, 2008. William Schultz stated that he would like the Board Members to attend this training in lieu of the normally scheduled BZA meeting.

The Board received and reviewed a letter from the Prosecuting Attorney of Medina County, regarding Time for Perfecting an Appeal from a Decision of a Township Board of Zoning Appeals.

Before opening the public hearing William Schultz gave the opening statement.

Public Hearing: Buckeye Elementary Schools – variance:

Mary Lenarth read the legal ad as printed in the March 6, 2008 edition of the Medina County Gazette. The Buckeye Local School District, 3044 Columbia Road, Medina Ohio 44256 (parcel number 45-05A-16-002) is asking for variance from Section 403.01.1; Section 403.04.B; Section 404.02; and Section 405.03. The request is to install a ground sign for the district's elementary schools. The said sign will be an animated sign and will be sixty (60) square feet in size.

William Schultz swore in Dennis Honkala-Superintendent Buckeye Local Schools; Jim Tighe-Buckeye Local Schools; and Dave Sterrett-Medina Signs. William Schultz asked Dennis Honkala to give his presentation. Dennis Honkala explained the ground sign will be ten (10) feet wide and six (6) feet tall. The sign will be place in front of the elementary schools. The said sign

will be animated and would be used to keep the public informed as to the upcoming events at the schools. Dennis Honkala reviewed the information packet given to the Board.

Dennis Honkala also presented a note from Lynn Frantz, 3232 Columbia Road, Medina, stating that she did not have a problem with the proposed sign.

Dennis Honkala expressed his appreciation to Dorothy Crouch for the assistance that she gave the school with the planning process of the sign.

Roger Mittler and Alverta Moehle asked about the colors and lights on the sign. Dave Sterrett explained the sign. The wordage going across the screen will be of amber color, will not be flashy, the brightness will be stepped down at night. This will be programmed into the sign.

The Board expressed their views regarding concern for too many signs for the School in the future.

William Schultz swore in Rick Monroe. Rick Monroe stated that the Trustees would like to change the sign in front of the York Town Hall/Fire Station Complex.

Roger Mittler suggested the Trustees may want to go before the York Township Zoning Commission to change the Codes regarding signs.

William Schultz asked if there were any other comments or questions, there were none.

Roger Mittler made a motion to grant the variance request from Buckeye Local School District, 3044 Columbia Road, Medina Ohio 44256 (parcel number 45-05A-16-002) for a variance from Section 403.01.1; Section 403.04.B; Section 404.02; and Section 405.03. The request is to install a ground sign for the district's schools. The said sign will be an animated sign and will be sixty (60) square feet in size. Per the drawing submitted, the lettering is to be amber with no color options being added. Norman Hinman seconded the motion. Role vote: Roger Mittler-aye; Norman Hinman-aye; Alverta Moehle-aye; William Schultz-aye; Eric Squire-aye. Motion approved.

New Business:

William Schultz stated that instead of the regular scheduled Board of Zoning Appeals meeting to be held on April 17, 2008 he would like the Board to attend the "mock BZA public hearing". This will be held at the Medina County Library Community Room (on the square of Medina) on April 17, 2008 at 6:30pm.

Old Business:

None

Adjourn:

Roger Mittler made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:15pm. Alverta Moehle seconded the motion. Role vote: Roger Mittler-aye; Norman Hinman-aye; Alverta Moehle-aye; William Schultz-aye; Eric Squire-aye. Motion approved.

William Schultz, Chairperson

Mary Lenarth, Secretary