

MORRISTOWN ZONING BOARD MEETING MINUTES
Regular Meeting Thursday, February 16, 2017

The regular meeting of the Morristown Zoning Board was called to order, by Jack Blackmer, on Thursday, February 16, 2017 at 7:00 p.m., in the Council Chambers at City Hall, 402 S. Division Street.

Members Present: Jack Blackmer, Steve Felix, Mike O'Rourke, Mark Morris

Member Absent: James Lonergan

Also present: Randy Meyers, Joe Kidder, John Byers – Zoning Administrator and
Sheri Gregor – City Clerk

1. Additions/Corrections to Agenda:

A motion was made by Steve Felix, second by Mark Morris, and carried unanimously to approve the agenda as presented.

2. Additions/Corrections to Minutes:

A motion was made by Mark Morris, seconded by Mike O'Rourke, and carried unanimously to accept the January 19, 2017 meeting minutes as presented.

3. Report on City Council Action Taken at Last Meeting:

Ordinance 92.21 Building Maintenance and Appearance Violations - The owner of 206 W. Bloomer St. purchased a zoning permit, after a second letter was sent. A certified letter was sent to 307 S.Division St. in regards to the condition of an out building on the property.

A public hearing on vacating a public alley will be held at the City Council meeting Monday, March 6, 2017 at 7:30 p.m.

4. Requests to be heard:

Joe Kidder, Division Manager and Site Supervisor of KMS Property Maintenance, approached the Board explaining that he has purchased approx. 20 acres of land, that is annexed into the City, from Randy Meyers. Joe is looking at sub-dividing the land and development into three residential lots, with a portion for storage units and a retail establishment. After discussion, the residential lots may not be feasible. Joe will attend the next City Council meeting to present his plans and to see what will be allowed. The Board encouraged Joe to contact the EDA for possible funding with the retail business.

5. Unfinished Business:

- A. The Board continues to review zoning specifications sheets and are critiquing them, as needed. The Board is adding the following term “Applications for Permits” become null and void if work or construction authorized is not commenced within 180 days, or if construction or work is suspended or abandoned for a period of 180 days at any time after work has commenced.
Also “Zoning Permits” must be purchased within 180 days of the application being approved. The Zoning Permit is valid for one (1) calendar year.
- B. Tabled - Create new ordinances, on the subject of commercial and residential solar energy development .
- C. Tabled - Redefining ordinances

6. New Business:

- A. Vegetable Stand – A peddler’s discussion was held.

7. Zoning Administrator’s Report:

Permits Opened:

- 1. Allan Schwartz – 206 W. Bloomer St. – Lot 5, Block 26, Adams & Allen Addition – Roof and Siding

Permits Closed:

None

A discussion was held on city ordinances guarding public safety and group homes.

A motion was made by Steve Felix, seconded by Mark Morris, and carried unanimously to accept the zoning administrator’s report.

A motion was made by Mike O’Rourke, seconded by Mark Morris, and carried unanimously to adjourn. Adjournment was at 9:24 p.m.

The next regular Zoning Board meeting will be held at 7:00 p.m., on Thursday, March 16, 2017.

/s/ Sheri Gregor
City Clerk/Treasurer