

MORRISTOWN ZONING BOARD MEETING MINUTES Regular Meeting 7 p.m. Public Hearing 7:30 p.m. Thursday, April 20, 2017

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The regular meeting of the Morristown Zoning Board was called to order, by Chairman James Lonergan, on Thursday, April 20, 2017 at 7:00 p.m., in the Council Chambers at City Hall, 402 S. Division Street.

Members Present: James Lonergan, Jack Blackmer, Steve Felix, Mark Morris, Mike O'Rourke Also Present: Zoning Administrator John Byers, City Clerk Sheri Gregor, Attorney Mark Rahrick, Joe Kidder, Kristine Kidder, Daryl Bauer, Randy Meyers, Sue Meyers, Nancy Bechtold, Joe Caldwell, Tyler Velzke, Keith Velzke, Adam Schlie

1. Additions/Corrections to Agenda:

Mike O'Rourke adds to New Business A. Tent Structures. A motion was made by Mark Morris, second by Jack Blackmer, and carried unanimously to approve the agenda with the addition of tent structures.

2. Additions/Corrections to Minutes:

A motion was made by Steve Felix, seconded by Mark Morris, and carried unanimously to accept the March 16, 2017 minutes as presented.

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

The section of the public alley, under consideration of vacating, was canceled. The Zoning Board is to hold the public hearing to rezone 7.09 acres of Randy Meyers property that is for sale; from Agricultural to Hwy Commercial. The City Clerk is to proceed with the administrative fine(s) to the owner in violation of

4. Requests to be Heard:

Ordinance 92.21.

Joe Caldwell asked questions regarding what his lot is zoned and setbacks; if he were to demo the existing and then build a new garage.

Tyler Velzke asked questions on the easement/setbacks of his property; before drawing up blueprints for an addition.

5. Unfinished Business:

A. A motion was made by Mark Morris, seconded by Jack Blackmer, and carried unanimously to recommend to the City Council to amend Section 152.121 Permitted Uses, of the city code; to include N. Mini-Storage Facilities. Morristown Zoning Board Minutes April 20, 2017 Page 2

A motion was made by Jack Blackmer, second by Steve Felix, and carried unanimously to temporarily close the regular zoning meeting, to officially open the public hearing at 7:30 p.m.

<u>Public Hearing</u>: Jim Lonergan asked for opening comments from the public. Once rezoned, this land may be use for any of the permitted uses or conditional uses (with zoning/city approval), under the City Code's Hwy. Commercial District.

A motion was made by Jack Blackmer, seconded by Mark Morris, and carried unanimously to close the hearing.

A motion was made by Jack Blackmer, seconded by Mark Morris, and carried unanimously to reopen the regular zoning meeting.

A motion was made by Mark Morris, seconded by Jack Blackmer, and carried unanimously to recommend to the City Council that the 7.09 acre parcel located in the Southwest Quarter of Section 22, Township 109 North, Range 22 West be rezoned from Ag to Highway Commercial. Mark Rahrick will recommend to the Council that as condition of the rezoning the land be platted, so it's clearly marked out.

5. <u>Unfinished Busi</u>ness: (cont.)

- B. The Board worked on specifics to create an ordinance pertaining to open air seasonal produce vendor stands. Mark Rahrick will generate an ordinance, per the zoning's recommendation, to present to the City Council for approval. Whereas a public hearing will be required before adoption.
- C. Critique Specifications and Applications is tabled until the next meeting.
- D. Create new ordinances, on the subject of commercial and residential solar energy development is tabled until the next meeting.
- E. Continuing to redefining ordinances tabled.

6. New Business:

A. The city clerk is instructured to send certified letters to the addresses in violation of the city code regarding tent structures.

7. Zoning Administrator's Report:

John Byers will contact the owner of 9870 Morristown Blvd. that he needs to obtain two zoning permits and has until June 30, 2017 to complete the demolitions.

The submitted drawings for construction to be done at 105 1st Street N.E. needs to include property lines/setbacks on them, along with the area be staked out.

Discussion was held on a couple downtown businesses interested in outdoor construction projects. An application for conditional use, a public hearing and the approval of the Zoning Board and City Council process would need to take place before a permit is issued.

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7. Zoning Administrator's Report (cont.)

Permits Closed:

Matt Rossow – 207 1st Street N.E. – Lot 4, Block 7 – Morristown Original Town – Demo Existing/Build New Addition on Garage.

Permits Opened:

Andrew Gainor– 302 1st Street N.E.–Lot 5, Block 3–Morristown Original Town– Install Fence Ken Trnka – 107 S. Division Street – Lot 12, Block 17 – Adams & Allens – Demolition of Deck/Pool – Build Deck

A motion was made by Jack Blackmer, seconded by Mark Morris, and carried unanimously to accept the zoning administrator's report.

A motion was made by Jack Blackmer, seconded by Mike O'Rourke, and carried unanimously to adjourn. Adjournment was at 9:30 p.m.

The next regular Zoning Board meeting will be held at 7:00 p.m., on Thursday, May 18, 2017.

City Clerk/Treasurer