THORN TOWNSHIP ZONING COMMISSION

Zoning Members Present:

Rick McCance Marci McCauley

Jeff Zemalong Ron White

Todd Brune Zoning Inspector
Deborah Morgan, Zoning Secretary

Guests Present:

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Meeting:

Date:

05/04/2011

Time:

6:00 p.m.

Location:

Thorn Township Building

The regular Thorn Township Zoning Commission meeting was called to order by Rick McCance by saying the Pledge of Allegiance to the American flag. Roll call was taken and all members were present except for Jerry Nethers. The minutes of the March 2011 meeting were read by the zoning secretary and after no additions or corrections the minutes were approved as read.

Boat docks

Zoning Inspector Todd Brune distributed updated information from the State concerning boat dock regulations. Discussion was held. Inspector Brune will contact the prosecutor pertaining to the list of questions concerning the boat dock regulations.

Skill Games

Issues that were discussed concerning skill games were: Section placement, out-line of fee structure, other township's zoning language pertaining to skill games, and overall need for skill game regulation. After discussion concluded Ron White made a motion to include skill game regulations, which follow the ORC code, in section 28 of the zoning regulation under adult entertainment, with associated fees and location restrictions. Jeff Zemalong seconded the motion and after no further discussion the motion passed by a unanimous vote of members present.

Open Items for Discussion

Discussion was held on current conditions of driveways and entrances to businesses located within the township. The current zoning regulation language dealing with conditions of driveways, entrances, and parking lots were reviewed. Inspector Brune stated that he would look into this issue and speak with the owners of these businesses concerning needed repairs.

Ron White reminded everyone of the need to get more people to volunteer for the Zoning Commission and Board of Zoning Appeals.

Inspector Brune reported the following permits: March – 3 construction permits, 2 sign permits, and 1 variance. April – 3 building permits and 2 sign permits.

Agenda items for the next meeting will be boat docks, skill game regulation review, and open items for discussion.

After no further business a motion to adjourn was made by Marci McCauley and seconded by Jeff Zemalong.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:42 p.m.

Rick McCance, Chairman

Deborah Morgan, Secretary