VILLAGE OF SWANTON

Planning Commission Meeting Minutes
April 6, 2021 • 6:30 p.m.

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. Roll call was taken; those present included: Mr. DeGood, Mayor Toeppe, Mr. Erdman, and Mr. Young; Mrs. Hoelzle, Village Administrator was also present. Mrs. Westhoven was excused.

Mr. DeGood asked for approval of the March 2, 2020 Meeting Minutes. Mayor Toeppe moved to approve the minutes of March 2, 2020, with Mr. Erdman seconding. No discussion. Roll Call vote. ALL YES Motion carried 4-0.

The first substantive agenda item related to consideration of a fence in a non-residential district. Scottdel Cushion would like to erect a fence on the Zeiter Way side of the property. This fence would look like the rest of the fence surrounding the property. There was a question regarding slats and Ms. Hoelzle believed the fence would follow the rest of the fence look around the property.

Mr. DeGood moved to approve Scottdel erected a new section of fence with Mayor Toeppe seconding. No discussion. Roll Call vote. ALL YES Motion carried 4-0.

The next substantive agenda item was a variance request at 113 Crabapple for a fence. The property is located on a corner lot. As illustrated in § 150.099, a fence, on a corner lot, must be in line with the edge of the dwelling. The applicant wishes to construct a proposed fence 24 feet past the edge of the dwelling. Therefore, the applicant is requesting a variance of 24 feet from Swanton Village Codified Ordinance § 150.099. Much of the discussion centered on holding the fence to the neighbor's building line.

Mayor Toeppe moved to approve the variance request for a proposed fence at 113 Crabapple with Mr. Erdman seconding. Mr. Young asked to clarify if the motion was to place the fence in line with neighbor's building and Mayor Toeppe indicated yes. Roll Call vote. ALL YES Motion carried 4-0.

Discussion of sidewalks in Ashberry Farms occurred once more. Mrs. Hoelzle indicated it was set to present to Public Service Committee on April 26, 2021.

Mr. Don Sweet was present in the audience and wishes to speak to Planning Commission. He is looking to purchase 609 E. Garfield and claims a gravel driveway exists on said property. It currently can't be seen however Planning Commission indicated if he was able to provide proof of said driveway (pictures, dig up stones, etc.) he would be maintaining said driveway and not installing a new one. Mr. Sweet indicated he would provide the information to Mrs. Hoelzle once compiled.

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Planning Commission members were interested in inviting Metroparks Toledo to attend a meeting and discuss the wetlands project. Not for approval but to understand the projects objectives. Mrs. Hoelzle indicated she would reach out for next meeting.

Mr. Sweet came back and asked if there could be clarification on who purchased the right of way near 609 E. Garfield when the overpass project was underway. Mrs. Hoelzle indicated she would look into it.

Mr. Erdman brought up the topic of motorized scooters. These would be scooters children or young adults use in the street that could go over 10 mph. Mr. Erdman was concerned about safety. It may not be a Zoning question but Mrs. Hoelzle indicated she would present to Chief Berg for a safety question.

Mr. Erdman moved to adjourn the meeting with Mayor Toeppe seconding. Voice vote. All yes.

Adjournment at 7:32 p.m.

Mr. Roger DeGood