

White Oak Township Planning Commission

Meeting Minutes

March 13, 2024

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. with the reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance. In attendance were Planning Commission members John Kemler, Missy Noll, and Ashley Andersen. Board members Leela Vernon and Katrina Griffith- Zoning Administrator. Also in attendance was Jeff Kessler from McKenna, and township resident, Richard Morrison.

Introduction of the Board: Introductions were made of the Board.

Approval of Agenda: John made a motion to accept the agenda; Ashley seconded. Agenda approved.

Approval of Minutes:

Ashley suggested to add “Commercial” for the Gun Ordinance that passed from the previous meeting on November 8, 2022. John made a motion and Ashley seconded. Minutes approved with suggested change.

Review of Noise Ordinance:

The Board discussed the updated Noise Ordinance as prepared by McKenna.

Public Comments on Noise Ordinance:

Jeff Kessler from McKenna went over the proposed noise ordinance and what was updated from the November 8, 2023, meeting. Discussed removing the decibel reading and replace wording in Section 3 (a) which now says, “an unnecessary, repetitive noise that is taking place at any time that disrupts the quiet comfort and repose of adjacent properties.”

John made a motion to accept the Noise Ordinance with wording change; Ashley seconded.

A voice vote was taken, and the results are as follows:

John – yes

Ashley – yes

Missy – yes

Motion approved. The Noise Ordinance will be submitted to the township board at the next meeting for review, recommending an approval from the Planning Commission.

Review of Residential Outdoor Gun Range Ordinance:

The board discussed the updated residential outdoor gun range ordinance and suggested grammatical changes to the current draft. Jeff Kessler from McKenna provided an update of the changes made since the last meeting. Jeff will update the draft ordinance to replace (iii) Backstop Height and Setback- removing “nearest residential home” and inserting “nearest residential property line.” Also updating the provided table to include “Setback from Property Line.”

Public Comments on Residential Gun Range:

None.

John made a motion to accept the Residential Outdoor Gun Range with discussed changes to the draft; Ashley seconded.

A voice vote was taken, and the results are as follows:

John – yes

Ashley – yes

Missing -yes

Motion approved. The Residential Outdoor Gun Range will be submitted to the board at the next meeting for review, recommending an approval from the Planning Commission.

Next meeting:

The next Planning Commission meeting is scheduled for June 12, 2024, at 7:00 p.m.

Adjournment:

John made a motion to adjourn; Ashley seconded. Motion passed. Meeting closed at 7:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Ashley Andersen

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