

**PRAIRIE TOWNSHIP ZONING COMMISSION
MINUTES OF SEPTEMBER 23, 2008 MEETING**

Members Present: Howard Balzer, Christopher Finn, Glen Hymer, Hulda Moffitt, and Judy Stalter

Members Absent: None

Others Present: Connie Swisher, Zoning Inspector; Pam Williams, Township Resident

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order by Howard Balzer, Chairman, at 3:00 p.m.

Meeting Minutes:

Mr. Balzer asked for a motion to approve or correct the August 26, 2008 Prairie Township Zoning Commission Meeting Minutes.

As there were no corrections, Mr. Hymer moved to approve the August 26, 2008 Zoning Commission Minutes as written. Mr. Finn seconded the motion.

Roll call as follows:

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| 1. Glen Hymer | Aye |
| 2. Christopher Finn | Aye |
| 3. Hulda Moffitt | Aye |
| 4. Judy Stalter | Aye |
| 5. Howard Balzer | Aye |

The motion was approved unanimously.

Old Business:

Ms. Swisher said that in relation to the discussion about the Franklin County riparian setbacks map at the August meeting, she is meeting with David Lowell, the new GIS coordinator for the County, on Tuesday, September 30. She will be talking with Mr. Lowell about developing additional maps with specific details of the riparian setbacks in the Big Darby watershed.

New Business:

Town & Country Exceptional Use Zoning

Ms. Swisher stated that Town & County Custom Homes has submitted a request to modify its original Exceptional Use (EU) zoning granted in the early 1990s. The Township has received a letter and expects to receive a new development plan for exceptional use modification in the near future. The EU modification request concerns the model home at Amity Road and West Broad Street (7300 West Broad Street). Rather than building a second model home as initially planned, the applicant wants to live in the existing home and run a construction business from that location. The applicant's last name is "Moser." This request will go directly to the Township Trustees.

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No Agenda Items

In months in which there are no items on the agenda, Ms. Swisher asked the members of the Zoning Commission if they prefer to cancel the meeting or meet anyway. Commission members agreed that they want to meet even if there are no published agenda items. They concurred that the job includes an obligation to be well-informed. Toward that objective, the opportunity to communicate with one another and the Township Zoning staff is highly worthwhile and should occur on a regular basis. Further, Ms. Stalter remarked that items needing consideration could develop between the distribution of the agenda and the actual meeting.

Next Meeting:

Mr. Balzer announced that the next meeting of the Prairie Township Zoning Commission would be Tuesday, October 28, 2008, at 3:00 p.m. at the Township Hall, 23 Maple Drive.

There being no further business, Mr. Balzer adjourned the meeting at 3:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Hulda Moffitt, Secretary
Prairie Township Zoning Commission

