

**PRAIRIE TOWNSHIP ZONING COMMISSION  
SPECIAL MEETING  
Thursday, April 13, 2023, 3:00 PM**

**IN-PERSON ATTENDANCE**

**Board Members:** Melvin Jones, Vice Chairman; Alec Milam, Secretary;  
**Alternate Board Members:** Steve Bailey; Becky Frim  
**Township Staff:** Dana Scott; Alicia Armentrout  
**Guests:** None

**ABSENT**

**Township Staff:** None  
**Board Member:** Christopher Finn, Chairman; Howard Balzer; Kevin Dye  
**Alternate Board Member:** None

**CALL TO ORDER**

Mr. Melvin Jones, Vice Chairman, called the special meeting of the Prairie Township Zoning Commission to order at 3:00 PM on Thursday, April 13, 2023, at the Township Hall, 23 Maple Drive, Columbus, Ohio 43228.

Our meeting is being held in person and is being cast online for viewers only. Viewers will be muted on entry and will not have the ability to address the board and not participate in this meeting.

**OLD BUSINESS**

Officer Elections

*Chairman*

Nominations for Chairman continued to the April 25, 2023 meeting at 3 PM.

Roll Call:

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| Howard Balzer    | Aye         |
| Kevin Dye        | Not Present |
| Alec Milam       | Aye         |
| Melvin Jones     | Aye         |
| Christopher Finn | Not Present |
| Steve Bailey     | Aye         |
| Becky Frim       | Aye         |

### Zoning Resolution Revisions

-Ms. Armentrout continued her PowerPoint presentation about proposed changes to the Zoning Resolution.

-Revisions that were discussed:

- Definitions (Solar Energy System, Ground Mounted Solar Energy Systems, Integrated Solar Energy Systems, Rooftop Solar Energy System, Small Solar Facilities, Solar Energy)
- Article 10 (Supplementary District Regulations)
  - Portable storage container, roll-off dumpster, and soft sided dumpster regulations addition (Section 1012 #8)
  - Corner lot fence regulations addition (Section 1014)
- Article 11 (Off-Street Parking and Loading Facilities)
  - 90-degree parking spaces width decreased from 10' to 9' in width and length from 20' to 18' (Section 1110 #1)
  - Residential driveway width standards to apply in ALL residential districts instead of just R-6 Residential districts (Section 1110 #18a)
  - Parking Standards section addition that applies to ALL residential districts (Sections 1110 #19)
- Article 13 (Planned Unit Development)
  - Rewritten by legal to comply with updated Ohio Revised Code 519.12
  - Amends timeframes involved with Planned Unit Development process.
- Article 14 (Planned Residential Mobile Home Park District Regulations)
  - Removal of repeated word "district" (Section 1410)
- Article 18 (West Broad Street Corridor Overlay District)
  - Addition of "Donation Box" definition (Section 1802 #6)
  - Logo size requirements for all signs in this district (Section 1809 #1)
  - Setback Requirements for businesses on West Broad Street that cannot meet current requirements (Section 1813 #1a ii and #1a iii)
- Article 19 (Regulation of Residential Facilities)
  - Rewritten and corrected by legal to comply with updated Ohio Revised Code
- Article 20 (Select Commercial Planned District Regulations)
  - Clarification to intend approval is for the development plan
  - Removal of text stating land reverts to previous zoning district

### **NEW BUSINESS – NONE**

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Mr. Jones announced that the next regular meeting of the Prairie Township Zoning Commission will be Tuesday, April 25, 2023 at 3 PM at the Township Hall.

**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business before the Prairie Township Zoning Commission, Mr. Jones adjourned the special meeting at 4:22 PM.

Respectfully submitted,  
Alec Milam, Secretary