

Harrison Township Zoning Commission

Meeting Minutes

February 10, 2025

Chairman Kelly Spriggs called the Regular Zoning Commission Meeting of February 10, 2025, to order at 6:00pm at the Harrison Township Fire Department, 3625 State Route 752, Ashville, Ohio 43103. Attending was Kelly Spriggs, Ronde Cook-Brushart, Brock Riley, Matt LeMaster, Matt Rayburn, Austin Cline, and Sara LeMaster. Visitors present were Joe Allen, Bert Cline, Steve Welsh, Jean Kelly, Chad Timmons, Josh Austin, and Jeremy Lust.

Minutes from April 15, 2024, Public Hearing: Ronde Cook-Brushart moved to accept the minutes as written and Brock Riley seconded the motion. Minutes were approved as written.

Minutes from November 11, 2024, Regular Meeting: Brock Riley moved to accept the minutes as written and Ronde Cook-Brushart seconded the motion. Minutes were approved as written.

Old Business:

The board discussed that the truck lot on Weigand Rd. has been rather quiet.

New Business:

Kelly asked Austin to check on the SR Noble property at SR 762 and US 23 because it appears there is different stuff going in there than what they came to the board for. She wanted to make sure they are doing what they are supposed to be doing with the property.

The houses on Duvall Road are getting rummaged through by squatters, etc. so Kelly asked Austin to find out when the buyer is getting started on that project.

Joe Allen, Bert Cline, and Steve Welsh were present to discuss preserving the township because it seems the township has been dwindling over the years. Joe Allen discussed the water/sewer between Ashville and South Bloomfield (6119 District). The district will provide safe water for residents and businesses in Harrison Township, south of SR 762. The North Gate CEDA Alliance plans to continue moving forward with establishing the North Gate Regional Water and Sewer 6119 district. This is spelled out in the original CEDA agreement of 2004.

The board commented that they have tried to get the CEDA agreement updated because it is very outdated, but they have had no support in the past.

Kelly brought up the subject of the zoning board always getting “overruled” and can never deny anything. Everything seems to get approved by the “people above” such as the county commissioners.

Joe shared that the Land Use Plan should be completed in 60 days. Kelly shared her concern for villages and/or the township backing out in the future. Bert Cline assured her that we should be in a much better place in 4-5 years. Kelly thanked the villages for working together with the township.

Kelly Spriggs moved to adjourn the meeting and Ronde Cook-Brushart seconded the motion. The meeting adjourned at 7:43pm. The next meeting is TBD.