

**Barnesville Planning Commission
Regular Meeting
Monday, June 6, 2011**

The regular meeting of the Barnesville Planning Commission was called to order by Chairman Merlin Strom at 6:30 p.m.

Members present: Steve Mortensen, Merlin Strom, Nathan Gemar, Paul Karsnia, Margaret Follingstad, and Brent Berg. Mike Detloff participated via telephone.

Others present: Mike Rietz, Karen Lauer, Roland Holm, and Pam Aakre of the Barnesville Record-Review.

AGENDA

6-6-11-01 Motion by Follingstad and seconded by Mortensen to approve the agenda. Unanimously carried.

MINUTES

6-6-11-02 Motion by Berg and seconded by Gemar to approve the minutes of the May 2, 2011 meeting. Unanimously carried.

DISCUSSION OF THE ACCESSORY BUILDINGS IN RESIDENTIAL ZONES SECTION OF THE ZONING CODE

Mike Rietz proposed a change to this section of the code to allow accessory buildings of 120 square feet or smaller to be allowed without a building permit. This would match the requirement in the building code. The current language requires accessory buildings of 120 square feet or large to obtain a building permit. The Board directed Rietz to schedule a public hearing on this amendment to the code for the next meeting.

BUILDING PERMIT LIST

The building permits for March were reviewed.

DISCUSSION OF OFF-STREET PARKING ORDINANCE

The Board continued its discussion of the proposed off-street parking ordinance. The main point of discussion was the determination of what the maximum gross vehicle weight (GVW) of trucks that would be allowed to be parked off-street in residential districts and C-1 and C-2. The consensus of the Board was to use 19,500 as the GVW that trucks needed to be below to be legally parked in residential zones, C-1 and C-2. In the provision that allows truck tractors to be parked in residential areas in the winter months, language will be added to not allow idling between 9 p.m. and 6 p.m.

The performance and design standard sections were also reviewed with some simplifications made to the language. The C-3 zone was to be included in the requirement for gravel or hard surfaced parking lots. And there was also some discussion about allowing truck parking in the I-1 and I-2 zones for longer than a 72 hour period. Any restriction of hazardous chemicals could be tied to the chemical placards that those trucks are required to have.

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COMPREHENSIVE PLAN UPDATE

The review of Goals 2 and 3 in Section III will be tabled until the July meeting.

NEXT MEETING DATE

The next Planning Commission meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, July 5, 2011 at 6:30 p.m.

6-6-11-03 Motion by Mortensen and seconded by Berg to adjourn at 9:09 p.m. Unanimously carried.

Submitted by:
Michael Rietz
City Administrator