

Barnesville Planning Commission
Regular Meeting
Monday, November 4, 2013

The regular meeting of the Barnesville Planning Commission was called to order by Chairperson Margaret Follingstad at 6:30 p.m.

Members present: Steve Mortensen, Paul Karsnia, Margaret Follingstad, Jaime Gott, and Rick Hamman.
Members absent: Brent Berg

Others present: Mike Rietz, and Jacob Underlee of the Barnesville Record-Review.

AGENDA

11-4-13-01 Motion by Karsnia and seconded by Mortensen to approve the agenda as presented. Unanimously carried.

MINUTES

11-4-13-02 Motion by Mortensen and seconded by Gott to approve the minutes of the October 7, 2013 meeting. Unanimously carried.

REVIEW OF SETBACK REGULATIONS IN THE C-2 AND I-1 DISTRICTS

City Administrator Rietz reported on the items that the Board requested more information about at the last meeting. He indicated that currently the smallest lots in the C-2 zone were 66 feet wide by about 130 feet deep. Therefore, side setbacks should be set at a distance that would not reasonably hinder the ability to develop those properties. The consensus of the Board was that for the C-2 zone, side setbacks should be 10% of lot width or 15 feet, whichever is less and rear setbacks would be 20 feet.

Regarding the I-1 zone, Rietz reported that he researched the impact that any changes might have along the railroad tracks and that there were a few properties where the existing 50 front setback would require a variance due to the railroad tracks, but establishing a side and rear setback did not appear likely to have a negative impact. The consensus of the Board was to establish the setbacks in the I-1 zone as follows: a front setback of 50 feet, with rear and side setbacks at 15 feet or half the height of the building, whichever is greater.

Rietz will also review the language related to setbacks when adjacent to residentially zoned property prior to the next meeting.

11-4-13-03 Motion by Hamman and seconded by Mortensen to set a public hearing to consider this ordinance change at the meeting on December 2, 2013. Unanimously carried.

BUILDING PERMIT LIST

The building permits for October were reviewed. 7 permits with a total valuation of \$448,095.

11-4-13-04 Motion by Gott, seconded by Mortensen to adjourn. Unanimously carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:20 p.m.

Submitted by:
Michael Rietz
City Administrator