

ROLL CALL

Tyson Brooks
Bill Dowty
Tracy Gentis

Tim Rohr

Michael Lautzenheiser, Jr., Secretary

The Board of Zoning Appeals meeting, January 26, 2021, was called to order by Michael Lautzenheiser, Jr. at 7:00 p.m. Roll call was answered by four members. Jerry Petzel was absent.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS FOR 2021:

President: Tyson Brooks

Motion to elect President: Tracy Gentis

Second: Bill Dowty

Vote: 4-0

Vice-President: Jerry Petzel

Motion to elect Vice-President: Tyson Brooks

Second: Tracy Gentis

Vote: 4-0

Secretary: Michael Lautzenheiser, Jr

Motion to elect Secretary: Tim Rohr

Second: Bill Dowty

Vote: 4-0

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Rose Ann Barrick offered a motion to approve the minutes from the November 24, 2020, meeting and Jerry Petzel seconded the motion, minutes were approved 4-0.

OLD ITEMS:

NEW ITEM:

B21-01-01 LANCASTER TWP., NW/4 33-27N-12E Adam & Amber Brost request a variance to the size allowance from 1500 sq ft to 2560 sq ft and increase height allowance to 25' for a pole building. The property is located at 790 N Oak St Ext, Bluffton, IN 46714. Property is zoned R-1. Adam Brost presented the variance petition. He talked about wanting the pole barn to be tall enough to fit equipment in and help clean up the property. Tyson Brooks asked the board if there were any questions or comments. There was discussion on drainage, lighting, and elevations being marked. There was no public comment.

Motion to Approve: Tracy Gentis

Second: Bill Dowty

Vote: 4-0

OTHER BUSINESS:

2020 End of Year Report

Michael Lautzenheiser gave a recap of the 2020 year. He said it was a positive year overall for the office. He talked about the permits and home starts going up and the BZA petition reducing. He also reviewed some of the APC and GIS projects.

2021 Plan of Operations

Michael Lautzenheiser informed the board of the plans for the upcoming year. He said the Comprehensive Plan update is underway and continuing to move forward after a little delay. He also mentioned that they office is trying to get a permanent camera set in the meeting room to make live-stream video for the meetings easier.

2021 Budget

Michael Lautzenheiser gave a recap of the 2021 budget.

Board Member Contact Sheet

Michael Lautzenheiser asked the board to review their contact information and inform the office of any changes that were needed.


ADVISORY:

It was mentioned that there hadn't been any petitions turned in for the February 23, 2021, meeting at this time and that the board would be notified later regarding if there would be a meeting or not.

DIRECTOR COMMENTS:

ADJORN:

Tim Rohr made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Bill Dowty seconded the motion and the motion passed with a vote of 4-0. The January 26, 2021, meeting of the Board of Zoning Appeals adjourned at 7:22 pm.



Tyson Brooks, President

ATTEST: 

Michael Lautzenheiser, Jr.