

SPECIAL APRIL COUNTY BOARD MEETING
Monday, April 9, 2018, 7:00 P.M.

The Board met. Mr. Douglas Kane in the Chair.

The roll was called and all members were present except Mr. Michael Taylor. Others in attendance for all or portions of the meeting were Ms. Roxann Halverson, Ms. Sonya Hansen, Mr. David Brommerich, Mr. Mike Owecke, Ms. Carrie Olson, Mr. Keith Bollinger, Ms. Julie Lindstrom, Mr. Peter Fletcher, and various members of the community.

Public Comments regarding Agenda items: Mr. Kochenderfer spoke regarding the Zoning Ordinance revision. He has concerns with the effects the ordinance will have on our tax base, how roads will be paid for if we cannot afford them now, and how the restrictions on farmers would be costly to them. He recognizes the need to hear the wishes of the towns, but feels this makes it a multi township ordinance and not a county ordinance.

Review/Discussion/Action regarding the Previous Meeting Minutes: Mr. Kriesel made a motion to approve the minutes, seconded by Mr. Black. Carried.

Review/Discussion/Action regarding Reappointment of Dale Klopp to the Board of Adjustment: Mr. Klopp's reappointment to the Board of Adjustment would be for three years. Ms. Roby made a motion to approve the reappointment, seconded by Mr. Danzinger. Carried.

Review/Discussion regarding a Presentation by the Zoning Administrator on Comprehensive Revision of the Zoning Ordinance and the Zoning District Maps: Mr. Owecke and Mr. Fletcher presented the Zoning Ordinance revisions, highlighting changes to each section. The different zoning districts were reviewed, how parcel division would be handled, and how changing a zoning district would be handled. Some of the changes reviewed by Mr. Owecke were as follows:

- After the fact permit fee for conditional use permits;
- Fencing for captive deer operations;
- Inoperable vehicles on property;
- Domestic fowl in a residential area;
- CAFO livestock operations;
- Mobile home restrictions;
- Poultry barn regulations;
- Steep slope driveway restrictions;
- Outdoor furnaces, open burning and refuse burning;
- Abandoned buildings on property, and;
- Nonmetallic mining changes.

Mr. Leonard Litscher spoke regarding questions he had on Farmland Preservation.

Mr. Rick Reuter spoke regarding his concerns for the ordinance. He feels the meeting times were not held at good times for farmers. He also has concerns with the poultry barn regulations.

Ms. Claire Waters spoke regarding conversations she has had with people around the county. One person explained to her that there are nine towns that will opt out of county zoning and form their own zoning. Ms. Waters also questioned why two of the members of the Zoning Committee should make these changes when they do not live in an area that will be affected by this ordinance.

Mr. Dean Hestekin would like to extend the time to review the ordinance, as he feels the towns were not given enough time to review the maps and documents to make sure everything was correct.

Ms. Roby spoke with many citizens around the county and found opposition to the ordinance revision. She urges the board to take more time and work with the citizens regarding the ordinance revision.

Adjournment: Mr. Brunkow made a motion to adjourn at 8:30 p.m., seconded by Ms. Rosenow. Carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Roxann M. Halverson
Buffalo County Clerk