

## **MINUTES OF PUBLIC HEARINGS**

### **PERRYSBURG CITY COUNCIL**

**MAY 2, 2017**

Mayor Olmstead called the first public hearing to order at 6:05 p.m. Present were Council Members Nelson Evans, Jim Matuszak, Tim McCarthy, Rick Rettig, Jonathan Smith, Barry VanHoozen, and Becky Williams (7). Also present were Karlene Henderson, Law Director, David Creps, Clerk of Council, and Brody Walters, Planning and Zoning Administrator.

The purpose of the first public hearing was to hear public comment about proposed Code Amendments regarding Specialized Animal Raising. Mr. Walters stated that two proposed Code Amendments regarding Specialized Animal Raising have been sent to City Council from the Planning Commission with no recommendation. The amendment proposed by the City would clarify existing Code language which allows Specialized Animal Raising in Agricultural zoned properties and in R1 with a Special Approval Use. The applicant of the other amendment is Krista Kiessling. Ms. Kiessling's proposal would also allow it in R2 and R3 districts with a Special Approval Use and with other conditions including an education component and requirements for chicken coops. This matter will be discussed at the Planning and Zoning Committee meeting on May 15, 2017 at 5:30 p.m. and will also be discussed at the Safety Committee meeting because of the animal control component.

Greg Bade, 26579 Cedarwood Lane, said that if this were approved we would need to expand animal control. He said that he is not in favor of it and he does not want chickens next to him.

Tom Briggs said that there was a lady in the 1990's that lived down the street from him and she had chickens and there were no problems.

Deborah Born, 125 E. Front Street, said that she is in favor of the chickens and they should be allowed to have their pets.

Theresa Grodi, Walnut Street, said that she is in favor of the chickens. She added that there would be a limit on the number of chickens you can have. She said that all the cities she has contacted that have chickens say that they have had no problems with enforcement. She said that with regards to property values she has contacted realtors and they say it will not hurt property values.

Kathy Briggs, Mulberry Street, said that her neighbors have chickens and it took a long time to realize they were there. She said there is no smell and no noise and she hopes they are allowed to keep them.

There being no further questions from City Council or the public, the public hearing adjourned at 6:22 p.m.

Mayor Olmstead called the second public hearing to order at 6:22 p.m. Present were Council Members Nelson Evans, Jim Matuszak, Tim McCarthy, Rick Rettig, Jonathan Smith, Barry VanHoozen, and Becky Williams (7). Also present were Karlene Henderson, Law Director, David Creps, Clerk of Council, and Brody Walters, Planning and Zoning Administrator.

The purpose of the second public hearing was to hear public comment about the rezoning of a portion of the Summerfield Subdivision from R4 (Single Family Residential) to R5 (Two Family Residential). Mr. Walters explained that the Summerfield Subdivision was formerly known as Bayshore Village. The portion of

the property to be rezoned is along the eastern edge and backs up to a Planned Business Park.

Theresa Grodi, Walnut Street, asked how many units are in the area to be rezoned. Mr. Walters said that there are 35 lots so 70 units. Ms. Grodi expressed concerns about traffic in the area.

There being no further comment, the public hearing adjourned at 6:26 p.m.

David D. Creps, Clerk

Michael J. Olmstead, Mayor