

HARPERSFIELD TOWNSHIP

PUBLIC HEARING

Held on November 6, 2019

The Board of Harpersfield Township convened for a public hearing from 7 PM to 7:05 PM at the Harpersfield Community Center. Cliff Henry, Chairman, called the public hearing to order with the following members and visitors present:

Clifford Henry	Present	Raymond Gruber Jr	absent
James Pristov	Present	Sharon Rohrbaugh	Present

Visitors: Larry Lister; Dave Snyder; Ron Gilbert; Jeff Lang; Sara Ackerman; Everett Henry; Ed Spoor; Eric Kujala; Ron Cluter; Lynda Henry; Casey Kozlowski; Sarah Fisher; Ed Brashear; Debbie Riffle; Angie Riffle; Tim Bowling; Ed Pristov; John Decker; Widd Raymond; Richard Selip; Bill Douglas

Cliff explained that Trustee Ray Gruber Jr was absent from the public hearing because he has been advised by the Ethics Commission to reclude himself from anything pertaining to the Spire Complex because he sits on multiple Boards that would make it a "conflict of interest".

The public hearing was held to hear public opinion for a proposed zoning text amendment to Article 8, Schedule 820.2 to add "C" (conditional) for warehouse storage under the RAD district.

The public hearing was advertised in a local newspaper for the proper amount of days.

The Zoning Commission met on October 17, 2019, to create the proposed amendment; they sent it to the Ashtabula County Planning Commission for their review, they met in a special meeting on October 28, 2019 and voted to recommend approval of the text amendment; Zoning Commission held a public hearing on November 6, 2019 and voted to recommend approval of the text amendment.

As there was not sufficient time to receive a written recommendation on the proposed text amendment, Mr. Henry asked Ed Pristov if he would represent the Zoning Commission Board and give a verbal recommendation. Mr. Pristov stated that the Zoning Commission voted to approve the recommendation and forward it to the Board of Trustees.

Cliff asked if any members of the public had any questions or statements. Ashtabula County Commissioner Casey Kozlowski voiced that the Commissioners are in support of the proposed text amendment and hope that the Board of Trustees will approve it to further economic development and to assist the prospective buyers of the Spire Complex to have other avenues for financial purposes.

Mr. Pristov made a motion to approve the zoning text amendment to Article 8, Schedule 820.2 to add "c" (conditional) for warehouse storage under the RAD district; Mr. Henry seconded; the Board voted thusly: Mr. Pristov, yes; Mr. Henry, yes

Clifford Henry

James Pristov

Sharon Rohrbaugh