

# STARKE COUNTY BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS

53 EAST MOUND STREET

KNOX, IN 46534

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## MINUTES

**January 13, 2020**

Chairperson Troike opened the meeting at 6:31 p.m.

**I Pledge of Allegiance-** led by Chairperson Troike.

**II Roll Call-** Bob Troike (Chairperson), Zac Binkley (Vice-Chairperson), Mark Allen (Executive Secretary), Denise Cultice (Member), Don Binkley (Member), Martin Bedrock (Attorney), Terry Stephenson (Planning Commission Administrator), and Mary Beever (BZA Recording Secretary).

**III Appointments -** Chairperson Troike asked for nominations.

- ◆ Member Cultice made a nomination motion for Bob Troike to remain as Chairperson for 2020, seconded by Member Don Binkley.
  - Member Cultice made a motion to close the nominations for Chairperson, seconded by Vice-Chairperson Z. Binkley. Motion carried. 4-0.
- ◆ Member Cultice made a nomination motion for Zac Binkley to remain as Vice-Chairperson for 2020, seconded by Member Don Binkley.
  - Member Cultice made a motion to close the nominations for Vice-Chairperson, seconded by Vice-Chairperson Z. Binkley. Motion carried. 4-0.
- ◆ Member D. Binkley made a nomination motion for Mark Allen to remain as Executive Secretary for 2020, seconded by Member Cultice.
  - Vice-Chairperson made a motion to close the nominations for Executive Secretary, seconded by Member Cultice. Motion carried 4-0.
- ◆ Member Cultice made a nomination motion for Attorney Bedrock to remain as the B.Z.A Attorney for 2020, seconded by Vice-Chairperson Z. Binkley.
  - Member Cultice made a motion to close the nominations for B.Z.A. Attorney, seconded by Vice-Chairperson Z. Binkley. Motion carried 5-0.
- ◆ Member D. Binkley made a nomination motion for Secretary Beever to remain as B.Z.A. Secretary for 2020, seconded by Member Cultice.
  - Member Cultice made a motion to close the nominations for B.Z.A. Secretary, seconded by Vice-Chairperson Z. Binkley. Motion carried 5-0.

**IV Review of the meeting minutes for October 14, 2019 –** Vice Chairperson Z. Binkley made a motion to approve the minutes as written. Executive Secretary Allen seconded that motion. Motion carried 5-0.

**V End of year report for 2019 –**

- ◆ Secretary Beever read the annual report for 2019 (a copy is on file in the B.Z.A. office)
  - Attorney Bedrock asked which meeting was continued
    - Secretary Beever stated that it was the Wetland hearing in Koontz Lake where the applicant was wanting to place two dwellings on the same parcel.

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- Member Cultice made a motion for the annual report to be approved as written, seconded by Member D. Binkley. Motion carried 5-0.

## VI Old/New Business-

- ◆ Discussion concerning the Wentland property.
  - Secretary Beever stated the variance did not have a motion made to approve or deny the variance on file, but she would double check.
    - Member D. Binkley stated that if there was no motion on file that one needed to be included in the January 2020 minutes.
  - Motion made by D. Binkley to deny the Wentland variance from September 9, 2019 and that the applicant would have to re-apply if they wanted to continue with the variance at a later time, Seconded by Member Cultice. Motion carried 5-0.
- ◆ Vice-Chairperson Z. Binkley asked if there is anything new coming up.
  - Secretary Beever stated that there would be an area variance hearing for a pole barn in February.
  - Executive Secretary Allen asked where it was located at.
    - Secretary Beever stated it was near the North Judson School, but in our county jurisdiction.
  - Member Cultice asked if their intentions was to put living quarters into it.
    - Secretary Beever stated it would only be an accessory building without living quarters.
  - Attorney Bedrock asked if there are any specifications for placing a pole barn with out living quarters in it.
    - Planning Commission Admin. Stephenson stated it could be placed without a variance if it was on a parcel that was ten acres or larger.
    - Secretary Beever stated that the applicant does not have ten acres.
- ◆ Board Discussion

**VII** With no further business to come before the board Member Cultice made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Executive Secretary Allen. Motion carried 5-0. The January 13, 2020 meeting adjourned at 6:45p.m. local time. This meeting was recorded and will be on file in the zoning office. The next meeting of the Starke County Board of Zoning Appeals is scheduled for February 10, 2020 the latter of 6:30 p.m. or the conclusion of the Planning Commission Meeting, in the Starke County Government Building, located in Knox, IN.