

## RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

### MINUTES OF THE XENIA TOWNSHIP TRUSTEES:

**PUBLIC HEARING- Land Use Plan**  
**October 4, 2012 4:00 P.M.**

Note: These minutes are a summary of the discussion and are not a word for word account of the discussions. The proceedings were electronically recorded. The meeting place was the Xenia Township Office, 8 Brush Row Road, Xenia, Ohio.

PRESENT: Jim Reed, Chairman; Amy Lewis, Trustee; Scott Miller, Trustee; Barbara Miller, Fiscal Officer; Alan Stock, Administrator.

Meeting was called to order at 4:00 P.M.

Stephen Anderson, Executive Director of Greene County Regional Planning, co-chair of the Xenia Township Land Use Committee, introduced the members of the committee. The committee was formed to decide what the future of Xenia Township should look like. Mr. Anderson explained this process has been very long and the items that were focused on and elaborated on in the plan were the things that make the community very valuable. He said Xenia Township has done a good job at providing an opportunity for public input through the process.

Mr. Anderson said this process was overwhelming for the committee so they broke the Township down into three areas which were the future planning areas, southern planning areas and rural planning areas. He explained the planning process was originally started in 2005 and the committee met 86 times. Mr. Anderson stated during the process the committee identified concerns and issues in the Township and surrounding areas. He said they looked at the items they felt would need to be addressed in the future which were sustainability, quality of life, health and safety, economic vitality, education, population, transportation maintenance, housing, land use growth management and recreation.

Mr. Anderson explained the product they created was written by a consultant, and he reviewed the different chapters and the topics of each one. He said when the committee looked at the Land Use Plan they reviewed the nature features in the Township and what could be done to use it to the betterment of the community. Mr. Anderson stated they looked at the size of the parcels and at the growth management. He explained they came up with eight growth management initiatives and what each included. Mr. Anderson stated the difficult part was trying to create what the committee thought the plan should look like and what they thought would be the best for future land use. He commended the committee members and said they put a lot of time and work into the plan and the Township citizens put in a lot of positive comments.

In public input, a Xenia Township resident was concerned about the Township's informational meeting and notifying the citizens of the meeting. She felt the information could have been provided to her since she gave her email address or at least she could have been notified of the dates of the meetings.

Mr. Miller stated there is a set time frame when the Trustees have to hold a public hearing when they receive an item from the Zoning Commission. He explained the Trustees have the ability to table the public hearing if necessary. Mr. Miller said it is the Trustees' desire to get the word out to the community. He explained what the ORC requires the Township to do in terms of advertising meetings.

Mr. Reed said the document was worked on in the early 1990's then interest was lost and was revived again. He stated it is probably the closest it has ever been to actually happening.

The resident who previously spoke requested this to be tabled so they could have another informational meeting so people could be made aware of the proposed plan. Mr. Reed said the goal is to try to have it approved by the end of the year.

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Mrs. Lewis said the Township could look into the cost of mailing out a postcard to the residents in the Township to see if it would be feasible.

A motion was made by Mr. Miller to table the public hearing until November 1, 2012 at 6:00 p.m., seconded by Mrs. Lewis. Motion PASSED by roll call vote of 3-0.

There being no further business, motion was made by Mr. Miller to adjourn the meeting at 7:58 p.m., seconded by Mrs. Lewis. Motion PASSED by a roll call vote of 3-0.

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Jim Reed, Chair

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Amy Lewis

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Scott Miller

ATTEST:

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Barbara Miller, Fiscal Officer