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LITCHFIELD BOARD OF TRUSTEES
PUBLIC HEARING
Oct. 10, 2016

The Litchfield Township Board of Trustees met for a public hearing on Mon., Oct. 10, 2016, at the Litchfield Town Hall after the requirements of the Sunshine Law were met by notification and posting. Chairman Pope called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. with Trustees Horvath and Wargo present. There was an audience of 4. All stood to recite the Pledge of Allegiance. The *Gazette* had been notified of the hearing and the purpose of the public hearing was to discuss zoning text amendments which the zoning board worked on. The text amendments have been forwarded to the trustees for their approval, disapproval or modifications. The trustees thanked the zoning board for all their work on these amendments. Trustee Pope stated that the zoning board have worked on these changes for over 2 years and that there are many changes. Since the trustees just received copies on Wed., Trustee Pope stated that he did not feel that he had done due diligence on them. Trustee Pope stated that whenever changes have been made to zoning codes in the past, the trustees received a copy with the old amendments with strike-outs indicating the changes/additions that have been voted on by the zoning board but this packet did not have these markings. Trustee Pope stated that he received the MC Planning Commission letter from 11/4/15 but not the letter from July 2016 and did not have the MC Prosecutor's opinion letters. Trustee Pope stated that he would like all documents in front of him so he could make the comparisons. Therefore, Trustee Pope asked if the public hearing could be continued at a future date. Zoning Chairman Dave Borling was present. ZC Borling explained that the 1st review by the MC Planning Commission in 2015 was an informal review and that they came out and spoke with the zoning board. After this, the zoning board made revisions and sent it back to the MC Planning Commission. Trustee Horvath stated that he would contact Zoning Secretary Fozio to receive copies of the steps/papers in this process. Trustee Pope asked that Trustee Horvath ask for the final review of the MC Planning Commission from 7/7/16 and the MC Prosecutor's reviews and opinions. Zoning Board Member Roy Norris stated that it would probably be difficult to show strike-outs and additions since the new document is in a different format. ZC Borling stated that Article I and V and the definitions are close to the existing ones but Article VIII is basically all new. Trustee Pope wondered if the next time it may be easier to work on smaller sections. Zoning Member Norris stated that due to the format changes, this was probably not possible. Trustee Wargo asked if the revisions clarify the resolution better. ZC Borling stated that based on comments from those who have seen the revisions they do clarify the resolution. After some discussion of possible dates, Trustee Horvath made a motion to continue the public hearing on the zoning text amendments on Monday, Dec. 12th at 6 p.m. at the town hall; second by Wargo. Voting yes: Horvath, Pope, Wargo. Motion carried. Trustee Pope made a motion to adjourn; second by Horvath. Voting yes: Horvath, Pope, Wargo. Public Hearing adjourned at 6:30 p.m.