



Meeting Minutes

Whitestown BZA

Date: October 7, 2021

Time: 6:30pm

Location: Whitestown Municipal Complex, 6210 Veterans Drive Whitestown, IN 46075, (317) 769-6557

Call to Order:

6:36pm

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call

- Mark Pascarella
- Phillip Snoeberger
- Craig Arthur
- Andrew McGee

- Staff:
 - Brittany Garriott, Director of Planning and Development
 - Jonathan Hughes, WPC/WBZA Attorney

Approve Agenda

Jon Hughes – BZA21-002-VA Emmis Billboard Use Variance: Has had several continuances and are now asking for an indefinite continuance. Would have to give staff a 30-day notice and would have to public notice again before hearing. Staff is giving a favorable recommendation for this.

Andrew McGee – What are the alternatives?

Jon Hughes – They can withdrawal and then they would have a 90 day wait before refiling.

Motion to approve indefinite continuance with addition that they must give a 30-day notice and agenda by Arthur. Second by Snoeberger. Motion passes 4-0.

Motion to approve and 09-02-21 meeting minutes by Snoeberger. Second by Pascarella. Motion passes 4-0.

Public Comment for Items Not on the Agenda- none

Presentations- none

Unfinished Business- none

New Business – Public Hearing

b. BZA21-005-VA Farmers Insurance Use Variance Withdrawal

- i. **Jon Hughes** – We asked petitioner to be present, but they are not. This was the Insurance agency that we heard a few months ago. They could not close on the home that we granted the variance on and no longer need that use.
- ii. **Brittany Garriott** – This Variance will run with the land. Staff is in favor of the withdrawal.

Motion by to approve the withdrawal request with Staff Recommendations attached by Arthur. Second by Snoeberger. Motion passes 4-0.

c. BZA21-007-VA Hussey Mayfield Public Library Variance

- i. **Jon Hughes** – We do not know where the petitioner is. You are allowed to hear this based on written materials provided, you can deny the petition for failure to appear, or you can continue to the next meeting. Gave options on what the board can do because the petitioner was not present.
- ii. **Mark Pascarella** – Hard to approve without the petitioner here, want to mark that option off.
- iii. **Andrew McGee** – Agree, it’s hard to approve if they are not here.
- iv. **Phillip Snoeberger** – If it is denied they will have to go through the application process again?
- v. **John Hughes** – I believe the rules are they can’t come back for one year if denied unless you gave a special exception.
- vi. **Andrew McGee** – My opinion would be a continuance.
- vii. **Mark Pascarella** – I am fine to continue, this could have been a simple mix up of dates.
- viii. **Craig Arthur** – Let me ask this.
- ix. **Andrew McGee** – But we are not hearing this.
- x. **Jon Hughes** – You may discuss.
- xi. **Craig Arthur** – What questions would we have for the petitioner? This is a cut and dry variance request. I’m comfortable with continuing.
- xii. **Andrew McGee** – I see what you are saying but I still feel like we need the petitioner here. Sets tone for the future, do not want to review without petitioner.
- xiii. **Brittany Garriott** - Will they have to public notice again?
- xiv. **Jon Hughes** – No, we have announced that it will be heard again next month here for the public record.

Motion to continue to the next scheduled meeting by Snoeberger. 2nd by Arthur. Motion passes 4-0.

d. 2022 BZA Meeting Schedule

Motion to approve the 2022 meeting schedule by Pascarella. Second by Snoeberger. Motion passes 4-0.

Announcements

Jon Hughes – We are working on updating the BZA rules and procedures and will have an update for you at the next meeting.

Adjournment

6:50 pm

Unanimous vote to adjourn

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Andrew McGee

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Brittany Garriott

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