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York Township Board of Zoning Appeals

February 12th, 2026

The York Township Board of Zoning Appeals held their monthly meeting in the York Town Hall/Fire Department Complex on February 12th, 2026.

Jessica Gerspacher called the meeting to order at 6:30pm.

The Pledge of Allegiance was said.

Board Members in attendance were Jessica Gerspacher, Richard Hill, Jesse Stout, Frank Kichurchak, Jenna Jordan, David Osiecki, and Ronald Fabich.

Guest Present:

Kevin Comes-Zoning Inspector/Township Administrator and Sara Williamson-Zoning Secretary were in attendance.

Minutes:

Ronald Fabich asked if Kevin Comes is actually a “Guest” to the Board of Zoning Appeals meetings. Jessica Gerspacher said that since Mr. Comes isn’t a board member then he is a Guest of the meeting. Same thought applies to Sara Williamson.

Mr. Fabich noticed on the 2nd page about 8 lines down, the wrong wording was used. The word that should be used is “Electronic” not “Electric”.

Ronald Fabich made the motion to accept the minutes with the addition of adding “Sara Williamson” to Guest Present and the grammatical error of “Electronic” not “Electric”. Motion seconded by Jesse Stout. Unanimous roll vote of “Yes” to approve the minutes.

Correspondence:

Kevin Comes reported on his research into whether the Board is a quasi-judicial body reserves the right to deliberate in private, per the Ohio Supreme Court ruling, however, voting by the Board of Zoning Appeals shall be made public, refers to Sunshine Laws. His findings were that the Board is not subject to the Sunshine Laws. Mr. Comes went on to explain his research further.

New Business:

Kevin Comes reported that he has got no new requests for a Zoning Variance.

Zoning:

-The Office went to OTA last week.

-Taking classes on Short-term rentals, Zoning Law, Comprehensive Plans, Parks and Maintenance and many more.

-We have had 3 new Zoning permits so far this year.

-2 Agricultural Exemptions and 1 covered patio which was the zoning violation

-Our plow company and maintenance crew have been and will continue to drive on the township roads at least twice a day keeping them as safe and as clear as possible. They are working to keep snow drifts clear but unfortunately the wind keeps blowing and snow will continue to be on the roads, especially in open field areas. As many surrounding communities are sharing, unanticipated salt supply issues have arisen from local suppliers. To conserve the township's salt supply, the focus will be on high priority areas in the township such as intersections, bridges, curves and hills.

Ronald Fabich asked if the Township contracts with Fabrizi. Kevin Comes replied that the township uses Sherman & Sons. Mr. Fabich went on to ask if the Township has a program to offer snowplow services to senior citizens. Mr. Comes replied that the township does not.

Old Business:

Ronald Fabich asked Kevin Comes if there were any workshops coming up. Mr. Comes replied that he had not heard of any yet from the county.

Adjourn:

Ronald Fabich made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Frank Kichurchak seconded the motion. A unanimous voice vote of “Aye” was given. Meeting adjourned at 6:53pm.

Jessica Gerspacher-Chairperson

Sara Williamson-Zoning Secretary